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HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA
36th PARLIAMENT, 1st SESSION

[Minutes of Proceedings]

EVIDENCE

Standing Committee
on

NATIONAL DEFENCE AND VETERAN AFFAIRS

Chairman: Robert Bertrand

Meeting No. 1

Monday, October 6, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chairman

MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 1)

HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA
THE PARLIAMENT, 14 SESSION

Monday, October 6, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 1:05 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 269, West Block, for the purpose of organization.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: John Harvard for Bob Wood; Gerry Ritz for Leon Benoît; Pierre Brien for Pierrette Venne; and Pat Martin for Dick Proctor.

The Clerk presided over the election of the Chair.

On motion of John O'Reilly, seconded by John Richardson, Robert Bertrand was elected as Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Peter Goldring, Art Hanger was elected Vice-Chair of the Committee, in absentia.

On motion of Hec Clouthier, Bob Wood was elected Vice-Chair of the Committee, in absentia.

At 1:07 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI
Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand

Meeting No. 2

Thursday, October 9, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Routine motions



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 2)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:38 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 269, Confederation building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Price, Dick Proctor and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ivan Grose for David Pratt; Byron Wilfert for Bob Wood; Richard Marceau for Maurice Godin; and Daniel Turp for Pierrette Venne.

Associate Member present: Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Michel Rossignol and Wolf Koerner, Research Officers.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of routine motions.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Committee retain the services of one or more Research Officers from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chairman.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That, at the discretion of the Chairman, reasonable travelling expenses, as per the regulations established by the Board of Internal Economy, be paid to witnesses invited to appear before the Committee, and that payment of these expenses be limited to two (2) representatives per organization.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That, pursuant to Standing Order 111(4), whenever an Order in Council for appointment or a certificate of nomination for appointment is referred to the Committee, the Clerk shall obtain and circulate to each member of the Committee a copy of the resume of each appointee.

On motion of Hec Clouthier, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least 5 members are present, including 2 member(s) of the Opposition, and that after 15 minutes the number be reduced to 3 members including 1 member of the Opposition.

John O'Reilly moved, - That witnesses be given 20 minutes for their opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated 5 minutes for the first questioner of each party and thereafter each subsequent questioner at the discretion of the Chair.

After debate, Peter Goldring moved, - That the motion be amended by striking out the words "at the discretion of the Chair." and replacing them by "in proportion to the standings of each party in the House."

After debate, the amendment was negatived on a show of hands.

After debate, the question being put on the main motion, it was agreed to, on a show of hands.

Hec Clouthier moved, - That the Chair, the two Vice-chairs and the two Parliamentary Secretaries do compose the Sub-committee on Agenda and Procedure.

After debate, Richard Marceau moved, - That the motion be amended by adding after the word "Secretaries" the words "and a member from the B.Q., N.D.P. and P.C. parties."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to.

Accordingly the main motion, as amended, was agreed to.

Richard Marceau moved, - That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute documents received from the public only once they have been translated in both official languages.

After debate, the motion was negatived on a show of hands.

At 4:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand

Meeting No. 3

Thursday, October 23, 1997

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Briefing session

First Report of the Sub-committee on Agenda and Procedure

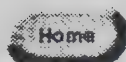
WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs:

Daniel Bon, Director General, Policy Planning;

Major General L.C. Campbell, Director General, Strategic Planning;

Brigadier-General D.M. Jurkowski, Chief of Staff J3 and Director General, Military Plans and Operations.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING

(Meeting No. 3)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 209, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price, Dick Proctor and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Joe Jordan for John O'Reilly; Colleen Beaumier for George Proud; and Maurice Dumas for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Michel Rossignol and Wolf Koerner, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs: Daniel Bon, Director General, Policy Planning; Major-General L.C. Campbell, Director General, Strategic Planning; Brigadier-General D.M. Jurkowski, Chief of Staff J3 and Director General, Military Plans and Operations.

The Committee proceeded to a briefing session.

The Chair presented the first report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure as follows:

"Your Sub-Committee met on Tuesday, October 21, 1997, and agreed to make the following recommendations:

That the Committee invite officials of the Department for a briefing session on Thursday, October 23, 1997.

That the Minister be invited to appear before the Committee on Tuesday, October 28, 1997 for one hour but that he be requested to return at a later date.

That after the hearings with the Minister, the Committee join with a delegation of Czechoslovakian Senators to discuss matters of common interest.

That Members of the Committee join with members of the Foreign Affairs Committee to travel to Bosnia from November 6 to 13, 1997 and that the necessary staff accompany the Committees.

That the Chair write to all Members of the Committee to elicit their suggestions for the Bosnia travel."

On motion of Judi Longfield, the first report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure was adopted.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand

Meeting No. 4

Tuesday, October 28, 1997

IN CAMERA



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 4)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in camera at 9:45 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 238-S, Centre Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

The Committee proceeded to discuss their travel to Bosnia.

On motion of John O'Reilly, seconded by David Pratt, it was agreed, - That the Committee seek approval of the House to travel to Bosnia from November 6 to 13, 1997 and that the necessary staff do accompany the Committee.

John O'Reilly, seconded by Art Hanger, moved, - That the Committee adopt a budget in the amount of \$29,727.25 for the purpose of its travel to Bosnia.

After debate, the motion was agreed to.

At 9:57 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, October 28, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session

APPEARING:

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence.

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

General J.M.G. Baril, Chief of Defence Staff.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 5)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:25 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 371, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, Dick Proctor, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Appearing: The Hon. Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence and Veterans Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs: General J.M.G. Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff.

The Committee proceeded to a briefing session.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witness, answered questions.

At 4:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

In accordance with Standing Orders 108(1)(a) and 108(2), the Committee convened a joint meeting with the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans' Affairs and the Secretary General and Ambassadors of the North Atlantic Council

WITNESSES:

Foreign and Commonwealth Office, United Kingdom:

Bruce Cleghorn, Head, Non-Proliferation Department.

NATO:

His Excellency Javier Solana, Secretary General.

North Atlantic Council:

Giovanni Jannuzzi, Italian Ambassador;

Leif Mevik, Dean;

Onur Oymen, Turkish Ambassador;

Hermann Von Richthofen, German Ambassador;

David Wright, Canadian Ambassador.

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Meeting No. 6

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans' Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:20 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chairs, Robert Bertrand and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud, John Richardson, David Price and Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Ivan Grose for David Pratt.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Scott Brison, John Cannis, Bill Graham, Ted McWhinney, Julian Reed, Svend Robinson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller, Daniel Turp.

Associate Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Raymonde Folco

In attendance: From Committees and Legislative Services: Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk. *From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament:* James Lee, Gerald Schmitz and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the North Atlantic Council: His Excellency Javier Solana, Secretary General of NATO; Ambassador Leif Mevik of Norway (Dean of North Atlantic Council); Ambassador Paul Schuller of Luxemburg; Ambassador Dr. Hermann Von Richthofen of Germany; Ambassador Robert E. Hunter of the United States; Ambassador Giovanni Jannuzzi of Italy; Ambassador Thorsteinn Ingolfsson of Iceland; Ambassador Antonio Martins de Cruz of Portugal; Ambassador Gunnar Riberholdt of Denmark; Ambassador Georges Savvaides of Greece; Ambassador Javier Conde of Spain; Ambassador Jean De Ruyt of Belgium; Ambassador David Wright of Canada; Ambassador Onur Oymen of Turkey; Mr. Herman Schaper, Minister Acting Permanent Representative of Netherlands; Mr. Gérard Araud, Minister Counsellor Acting Permanent Representative of Netherlands; Mr. Bruce Cleghorn, Minister Acting Permanent Representative of Netherlands; His Excellency Sergio Balanzino, Ambassador and Deputy Secretary General; General Klaus Naumann, Chairman, Military Committee; Mr. Jorge Domecq, Director, Private Office of Secretary General; Mr. L.A.J. Verbruggen, Executive Secretary; Dr. Jamie Shea; NATO Spokesman; Col. Gerd J. Bischof, Military Assistant, Chairman, Military Committee. Mr. Hoyt Yee, Deputy Director, Private Office of the Secretary General.

Pursuant to Standing Orders 108(1) (a) and 108(2), the Committee convened a joint meeting with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade and the Secretary General and Ambassadors of the North Atlantic Council.

His Excellency Javier Solana made a statement and, with Ambassadors Mevik, Oymen, Von Richthofen, Jannuzzi, and Wright as well as Bruce Cleghorn, answered questions.

At 4:17 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 7

Thursday, October 30, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs:

General J.M.G. Baril, Chief of Defence Staff.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 7)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:33 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 371, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, Dick Proctor, George Proud and Pierrette Venne.

Acting Members present: John Maloney for John Richardson; Ian Murray for Bob Wood; and Rick Borotsik for David Price.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs: General J.M.G. Baril, Chief of the Defence.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

On motion of Art Hanger, it was agreed, - That the routine motion, adopted on Thursday, October 9, 1997, for rounds of questioning, be rescinded.

On motion of Art Hanger, it was agreed, - That the Committee adopt the following rotation for questioning of witnesses:

Reform - 10 minutes

B.Q. - 10 minutes

Liberal - 10 minutes

N.D.P. - 10 minutes

P.C. - 10 minutes

Reform - 5 minutes

Liberal - 5 minutes

From Opposition Party to Liberal Party for the remainder of time.

On motion of Art Hanger, it was agreed, - That when witnesses cannot be available for a full period of questioning, the Chair divide the time between all parties on a pro rata basis.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, November 5, 1997

IN CAMERA



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 8

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans' Affairs and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met, *in camera*, at 3:38 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 362-E, East Block, the Chairs, Robert Bertrand and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, Dick Procter, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Byron Wilfert for David Pratt; Rob Anders for Art Hanger.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Jean Augustine, Réginald Bélair, Bill Graham, Ted McWhinney, Daniel Turp.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee, Gerald Schmitz and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence and Veterans' Affairs: Major Yvan Desy, J-3 Plans and Operations; Major R.S. Williams, National Defence Intelligence Centre; Sergeant Bilodeau. From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Guy Archambault, Deputy Director, Southeast Europe Relations Division; Diane Harper, Desk Officer, Regional Security and Peacemaking; Geoffrey Gartshore, Desk Officer, NATO (Bosnia); Eileen Olexiuk, Deputy Director, Reconstruction of Former Yugoslavia, Southern Europe Division.

Pursuant to Standing Orders 108(1) (a) and 108(2), the Committee convened a joint meeting with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade for a briefing session on the Stabilization Force (SFOR) in Bosnia.

It was agreed, --That in relation to its examination of Canada's future participation in the Stabilization Force (SFOR) in Bosnia, while members of the Committee are travelling to Italy and Bosnia with a delegation from the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans' Affairs, the Committee share the cost of a dinner briefing given by the base commanders of Aviano on November 7, 1997.

The witnesses made opening statements and, with Sergeant Bilodeau from the Department of National Defence and Veterans' Affairs, answered questions.

At 5:13 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand

Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee proceeded to examine Canada's future participation in the Stabilization Force (SFOR) in Bosnia

WITNESSES:

CARE Canada:

Barbara Shenstone, Development Worker, Bosnia-Herzegovina.

"Université du Québec à Montréal":

William Schabas, Professor.

As Individual:

Leonard Cohen, Professor;

John Graham.

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Meeting No. 9

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a joint televised session at 9:14 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 253-D of the Centre Block, the Chairs, Robert Bertrand and Bill Graham presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Price, John Richardson.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Sarkis Assadourian, Jean Augustine, Colleen Beaumier, Scott Brison, John Cannis, Bill Graham, Gurmant Grewal, Ted McWhinney, Bob Mills, Julian Reed, Bob Speller.

Acting Members for the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Raymonde Folco for Denis Paradis.

In attendance: From Committees and Legislative Services: Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk. *From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament:* James Lee, Michel Rossignol and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: As individuals: John Graham, Senior Elections Officer in Bosnia for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe; Professor Lenard Cohen, Political Science Department, Simon Fraser University. *From CARE Canada:* Barbara Shenstone, Development Worker (Bosnia-Herzegovina). *From the Université de Québec à Montréal:* Professor William Schabas.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to examine Canada's future participation in the Stabilization Force (SFOR) in Bosnia.

John Graham, Lenard Cohen and Barbara Shenstone each made opening statements and answered questions.

William Schabas made a statement and, with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 12:07 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 10

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998

APPEARING:

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

General Maurice Baril, Chief of Defence Staff;

Louise Fréchette, Deputy Minister;

Lgen. David Kinsman, Assistant Deputy Minister, Personnel.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 10)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 362 of the East Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, Dick Proctor, John Richardson and Pierrette Venne.

Acting Members present: Joe Jordan for Judi Longfield.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Appearing: The Hon. Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Louise Fréchette, Deputy Minister; General Maurice Baril, Chief of Defence Staff; Lieutenant-General D. Kinsman, Assistant Deputy Minister (Personnel).

Pursuant to an Order of Reference of the House dated Thursday, October 23, 1997, the Committee proceeded to a study of the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, November 19, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to examine Canada's future participation in the Stabilization Force (SFOR) in Bosnia

WITNESSES:

CIDA:

Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

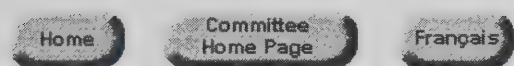
Jim Wright, Director General, Central East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs:

Lieutenant-General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of Defence Staff.

International Security Policy:

Rear Admiral J.A. King, Director General.



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Meeting No. 11

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a joint televised session at 3:38 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 253-D of the Centre Block, the Chairs, Robert Bertrand and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Cloutier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne.

Acting Members present: Bill Blaikie for Dick Proctor.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Sarkis Assadourian, Jean Augustine, Colleen Beaumier, Réginald Bélair, Scott Brison, Maud Debien, Bill Graham, Gurmant Grewal, Ted McWhinney, Bob Mills, Benoît Sauvageau, Daniel Turp.

Acting Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Aileen Carroll for John Cannis; Monique Guay for Maud Debien.

In attendance: From Committees and Legislative Services: Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk. *From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament:* James Lee and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Jim Wright, Director General for Central East & South Europe; Charles Court, Deputy Director for NATO, Division North America and Euro-Atlantic Security and Defence Relations. *From the Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs:* Lieutenant General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff; Rear Admiral J.A. King, Directeur General, International Security Policy. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to examine Canada's future participation in the Stabilization Force (SFOR) in Bosnia.

The Committee proceeded to debate a draft report and resolution.

The witnesses answered questions.

It was agreed, --That the draft resolution, as amended, be adopted as the Second Report of the Committee and that the Chair be authorized to present the Report to the House.

It was agreed, --That pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Harry Wu be invited to appear before the Committee to address the issue of human rights in China.

At 6:03 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski,

Clerk of the Committee.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, November 25, 1997

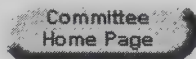
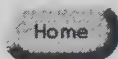
ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Lgen. David Kinsman, Assistant Deputy Minister, Personnel.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 12)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:33 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, Dick Proctor, John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Réal Ménard for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant-General D. Kinsman, Assistant Deputy Minister (Personnel).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

Lieutenant-General D. Kinsman made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 13

Thursday, November 27, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

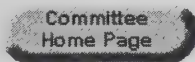
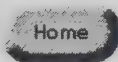
WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Commodore Glenn Davidson, Director General, Naval Personnel;

Vice-Admiral Greg R. Maddison, Chief of the Maritime Staff;

Chief Petty Officer Terry Meloche, Command Chief Petty Officer.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 13)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 209, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne.

Acting Members present: Joe Jordan for Judi Longfield; and Claude Drouin for Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Vice-Admiral G.R. Maddison, Chief of the Maritime Staff; Commodore G. Davidson, Director General, Naval Personnel; and Chief Petty Officer T. Meloche, Command Chief Petty Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

David Price moved, - That the Committee invite the 3 Somalia Commissioners to appear before this Committee to speak on Chapter 44 of the Somalia Report, "The Need for a Vigilant Parliament".

After debate, the motion was negatived on a recorded vote:

YEAS: Leon E. Benoît, Art Hanger, Pierrette Venne, David Price -- (4);

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Joe Jordan, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, John Richardson, Claude Drouin -- (6).

Vice-Admiral G.R. Maddison made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:10 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 14

Tuesday, December 2, 1997

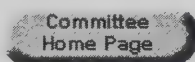
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Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Lieutenant General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of the Defense Staff.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 14)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 371 of the West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, Dick Proctor, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

John O'Reilly moved, - That the Committee adopt the budget of \$246,964.00 for its travels inside Canada and to Bosnia in relation to its study on Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

After debate, the motion was allowed to stand.

Lieutenant General R.R. Crabbe made an opening statement.

At 4:00 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 15

Thursday, December 4, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Lieutenant-General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of the Defense Staff.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 15)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:50 o'clock a.m, this day, in room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Maurice Godin, and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witness answered questions.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
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Meeting No. 16

Thursday, December 4, 1997

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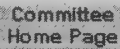
Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Lieutenant-General A. DeQuetteville, Chief of Air Staff;

Chief Warrant Officer J.G. Guilbault, Air Force Chief Warrant Officer.

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(Meeting No. 16)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 371, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Denis Coderre for John O'Reilly.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant General A. DeQuetteville, Chief of Air Staff; and Gilles Guilbault, Chief Warrant Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

On motion of George Proud, it was agreed, - That the Committee adopt the budget of \$211,650.00 for its travels inside Canada in relation to its study on Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

Lieutenant General A. DeQuetteville made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:16 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 17

Tuesday, December 9, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Chief Warrant Officer R.J. Duncan, Brigade Sergeant-Major, 33 Brigade;

Major General S.T. MacDonald, Chief, Reserves and Cadets.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 17)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Pat O'Brien, David Pratt, David Price, Dick Proctor, George Proud, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Major General S.T. MacDonald, Chief Reserves and Cadets; Major R. Duncan, Chief Warrant Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

Major General S.T. MacDonald made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:10 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.



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Meeting No. 18

Thursday, December 11, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Lieutenant-General W.C. Leach, Chief of Land Staff.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 18)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1997

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 11:40 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 371, West Block, the Acting Chair, David Pratt, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Jocelyne Girard-Bujold for Maurice Godin; and Monique Guay for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant General W.C. Leach, Chief of Land Staff.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

Lieutenant General W.C. Leach made an opening statement.

At 12:05 o'clock p.m., Robert Bertrand took the Chair.

The witness answered questions.

At 1:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 19

Monday, January 26, 1998

ESQUIMALT

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Armed Forces:

Rear Admiral Russell Moore, Commander of Maritime Forces Pacific (MARPAAC).

CFB Esquimalt:

Captain David Marshall, Base Commander.

Defence Associations National Network, Pacific Region Branch (DANNPAC):

Vice-Admiral (Ret'd) C.M. Thomas, President.

Naval Officers Association, Vancouver Island:

William Kinsman, Chairman, Maritime Affairs committee.

Resource Centre for Military Families:

Martine Brisson, President, Board of Directors.

Royal United Services Institute of Vancouver Island:

Jerry Frewen, President.

Toronto-Dominion Bank Financial Group:

Doug Provost, Vice-President.

39 Canadian Brigade Group:

Colonel (Retired) William White, Commander.

Individual Presentation:

Elizabeth Anthony;

Corporal Richard Clark;

Petty Officer Cooper;

Kathy Couture;

Leading Seaman Lise Curley;

Alison Davies;

Leading Seaman Desroches;

Donna Hooper;

Jennefer Jenks;

Leading Seaman Jessen;

Dolores Kimak;

Shannon Lemire;

Margo Lisick;

Kim Loeper;

Chief Petty Officer Doug McLeod;

Major Marian Miszkiel;

Corporal Karl Rayment;

Master Seaman William Sparling;

Ken Waldron;

Christina Wheeler;

Chief Petty Officer Wilmot, Base Financial Counsellor.

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(Meeting No. 19)

MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 07:03 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Work Point Gym, CFB Esquimalt, British Columbia, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present:

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Rear Admiral Russell Moore, Commander, MARPAC; Mr. C.M. Thomas, President, DANNPAC; Mr. Jerry Frewen, Recent Past President, NOAVI; Mr. W. Kinsman, NOAVI; Martine Brissen, MFRC; Mr. D. Provost, TD Bank; CPO Wilmot, Base Financial Counsellor; and Col. (R) White, Cdr HQ 39 Cdn Bge.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

Witnesses from the audience made statements and answered questions.

At 11:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 20

Tuesday, January 27, 1998

ESQUIMALT

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Armed Forces:

Rear Admiral Russell Moore, Commander, Maritime Forces Pacific (MARPAF);

Captain Dave Wong, Base Social Work Officer, Maritime Forces Pacific, Esquimalt.

CFB Esquimalt:

Lieutenant-Colonel Chris Little, Commanding Officer, 443 Squadron.

Victoria Chamber of Commerce:

Myrna Borleske, Past President.

Work Point Community Council:

Lieutenant-Commander Jean Lavallée, Mayor.

Individual Presentation:

Corporal G.H. Berard;

Chaplain Doug K. Friesen;

Anne Friessen;

Sergeant Danielle Goulet;

Chief Petty Officer Humphrey;

Lorne Jones;

Master Corporal Robert Todd MacNeill;

Debbie McPhail;

Chief Petty Officer Robert Sankpiel;

Petty Officer Andrew P. Scott;

Julie Simons;

Cedric Steele;

Master Seaman Hodges Wittaker.

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(Meeting No. 20)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 08:20 o'clock a.m., this day, in the Work Point Gym, Esquimalt, British Columbia, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Rear Admiral Russell Moore, Commander, MARPAC; From the Victoria Chamber of Commerce: Mrs. Myrna Borleske, Recent Past President; Mr. Cedric Steele; Mrs. Friessen; Cpl G.H. Berard, CFB, Esquimalt; LCdr Jean Laval, Work Point Mayor; Capt. Dave Wong, Base Social Worker; and LCol Little, CO HS 443.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

Witnesses from the audience made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:15 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 21

Wednesday, January 28, 1998

EDMONTON

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Forces Base Suffield:

Chief Warrant Officer Doug Gardner.

Individual Presentation:

Corporal G.K. Boyce;

Master Corporal C.D. Brunnelle;

Private C. Cruickshank;

Major Bruce Henwood;

Sergeant T.J. Hoppe;

Master Corporal C.A. Isaacs;
Major C.T. Langlais;
Corporal K. Ledrew;
Corporal W.L. Leonard;
Colonel Andrew Leslie;
Master Warrant Officer R. W. McNaughton;
Captain C. Phaneuf;
Master Corporal Karl Plesz;
Corporal T.D. Scherger;
Sergeant F.J. Thibaudeau;
Sergeant M.J. Vanschepdael.

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(Meeting No. 21)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 1:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Lecture Training Facility, CFB Edmonton, Alberta, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Col. Andrew Leslie and Maj. Bruce Henwood.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

Witnesses from the audience made statements and answered questions.

At 4:40 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 22

Wednesday, January 28, 1998

EDMONTON

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Edmonton Garrison:

Lieutenant-Commander Rod Brittain, Surgeon;

Colonel J. Selbie, Commander, 1 Area Support Group.

Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry:

Sergeant T. Duke, A Company, Third Battalion.

Individual Presentation:

Corporal K.D. Atkinson;

Corporal M.J. Couture;

Sergeant L. Damstrom;
Sergeant B.A. Deegan;
Mike J. Douglas;
Corporal M.L. Fleck;
Chief Warrant Officer D. Gardner;
Corporal R.J.A. Gould;
Corporal I.A. Hanif;
Corporal C.F. Lebeuf;
Paul Lee;
Wendy Lee;
Corporal W. Leonard;
Rebecca Muise;
B.C. Northmore;
Captain Pruden;
L. Pepiot;
Captain B.P. Roach;
Sergeant Sonia Robinson;
Chief Warrant Officer T. Secretan;
C.E. Stevens;
J. Summers;
Sergeant D.M. Thorlakson;
Captain C.L. Tremblay;
Master Warrant Officer J.G. Trudel.

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(Meeting No. 22)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 6:00 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Lecture Training Facility, CFB Edmonton, Alberta, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Sgt. T. Duke; Wendy Lee and Paul Lee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

Witnesses from the audience made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:05 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 23

Thursday, January 29, 1998

COLD LAKE

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Cold Lake:

Ray Coates, Mayor.

Individual Presentation:

Master Warrant Officer Bill Atkinson;

Master Corporal Ike Blum;

Master Warrant Officer Yvonne Boisclair;

Padre Kelly Bokovay;

Master Corporal Mike Brown;

Master Corporal Mark Browning;
Chief Warrant Officer Tony Calderone;
Corporal Derek Chopowick;
Captain Dan Constable;
Debbie Crosby;
Master Corporal John Edelman;
Warrant Officer Mark Fenton;
Sergeant Donald Foss;
Master Corporal Cynthia Gelsinger;
Master Corporal Dennis Gemmell;
Corporal Garry Goodspeed;
Corporal Kirk Harrison;
Kate Hepple;
Susan Izatt-Coe;
Master Warrant Officer Ron Kinsman;
Chief Warrant Officer Paul Lacroix;
Master Corporal Steve Lavoie;
Sergeant Dale Lyne;
Corporal Martin Macumber;
Padre Todd Meaker;
Corporal Sam Mersereau;
Laura Morin;
Simone Olofson;
Warrant Officer Bill Reid;
Hansa Thaleshtar.

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(Meeting No. 23)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:40 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Medley Community Centre, CFB Cold Lake, Alberta, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and John Richardson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: W.O. Bill Reid; W.O. Mark Fenton; Cpl. Martin Macumber; Mayor Ray Coates; M.W.O. Ron Kinsman; MCpl. Mike Brown; M.W.O. Bill Atkinson; Padre Kelly Bokovay; Padre Todd Meaker; C.W.O. Tony Calderone; Sgt. Donald Foss; MCpl. Dennis Gemmell; MCpl. John Edelman; MCpl. Cynthia Gelsinger; MCpl. Steve Lavoie; Laura Morin; C.W.O. Paul Lacroix; Cpl. Sam Mersereau; M.W.O. Yvonne Boisclair; Hansa Thaleshvar; Kate Hepple; Susan Izatt-Coe; Debbie Crosby; Simone Olofson; MCpl. Ike Blum; Sgt. Dale Lyne; MCpl. Mark Browning; Cpl. Derek Chopowick; Cpl. Garry Goodspeed; Capt. Dan Constable and Cpl. Kiek Harrison.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 6:35 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 8:30 o'clock p.m., the sitting was resumed.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,

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Meeting No. 24

Friday, January 30, 1998

MOOSE JAW

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

City of Moose Jaw:

Ray Boughen, Mayor.

Individual Presentation:

Captain Larry Arnold;

Second Lieutenant Claude Bertrand;

Warrant Officer G. Branchaud;

Sean Callaghan-Tudor;

Lynn Cooper;

Sub-Lieutenant Mike Cue;
Yvonne Godin;
Major Christine Gross;
Colonel Tim Hunter;
Paul Lesnik;
Darlene Lévesque;
Edith Lévesque;
Captain Derek McInnis;
Suzanne O'Rourke;
Major Glen Robertson;
Second Lieutenant Cory Robinson;
Sergeant Dan Ross;
Sandy St. Pierre;
Corporal Bernard Sarazin;
Lieutenant Alain Savoie;
Master Corporal Terry Spence;
Corporal Terry Warner;
Norma Willows.

15 Wing Community Working Group:

Kim Dixon;
Janet Edwards;
Rebecca Savard;
Tammy Schneider;
Captain Linda Tomlinson;
Melissa Van Dette.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING

(Meeting No. 24)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 6:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Officers' Mess, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and Dick Proctor.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Mayor Ray Boughen; Col. Tim Hunter; Mrs./Capt. Linda Tomlinson; Mrs. Tammy Schneider; Rebecca Savard; Mrs. Kim Dixon; Mrs. Janet Edwards; Melissa Van Dette; Lynn Cooper; Sandy St. Pierre; 2Lt. Claude Bertrand; Cpl. Terry Warner; Mcpl. Terry Spence; Sgt. Dan Ross; W.O. G. Branchaud; Suzanne O'Rourke; Edith Levesque; Capt. Derek MacInnis; Paula Lesnick; Maj. Glen Robertson; Darlene Levesque; Norma Willows; 2Lt. Cory Robinson; Sub-Lt. Mike Cue; Maj. Christine Gross; Yvonne Godin; Sean Callaghan – Tudor; Elaine Besette; Cpl. Larry Arnold and Cpl. Brian Sarazin.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, February 3, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Union of National Defence Employees (Manitoba-Saskatchewan):

John MacLennan, Executive Representative;

Brian Molsberry, Vice-President.

As Individual:

Debbie Graham.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in room Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: John Harvard for John Richardson and Monique Guay for Maurice Godin.

Other Members present: Angela Vautour.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Union of National Defence Employees: Brian Molsberry, Vice-President, Manitoba/Saskatchewan; John MacLennan, Ex Vice President; Debbie Graham, Vice-President, Newfoundland.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

On motion of Bob Wood, it was agreed, - That the Committee pay for certain meal briefings with the base commanders from its travel budget.

Brian Molsberry made an opening statement and with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:07 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 26

Monday, February 9, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

CFB Valcartier:

Major Gilles Harbec, Personnel Officer for Valcartier and Land Forces Units;

Captain Suzie Rodrigue, Head of psycho-social services.

Family Centre:

Raymond Carrier, director.

Headquarter and Force Signal Squadron:

Master Warrant Officer Yves Labonté, Personnel Representative.

Individual Presentation:

Corporal Louis Buteau;

Corporal Sébastien Couture;

Sergeant Marc Desfossés;

Monique Éthier;
Corporal Ricardo Gagné;
Warrant Officer Richard Gosselin;
King Kiley;
Micheline Laurencelle;
Master Warrant Officer Paul Leblanc;
Captain Robin Lessard;
Danielle Longpré;
Corporal Jean-Marc Provost;
Corporal Christian Simard;
Ginette Tremblay;
Corporal Pierre Villeneuve.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:15 o'clock p.m., this day, in Building 20, Hall 108, Valcartier, Quebec, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Judi Longfield, David Pratt and Pierrette Venne.

Other Members present: Pierre de Savoye

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Capt. Suzie Rodrigue; Raymond Carrier, Director, Family Center; Adj. maître Yves Labonté; Ginette Tremblay; Cpl. Christian Simard; Adj. Richard Gosselin; Adj. Maître Paul Leblanc; Micheline Laurencelle; Monique Éthier; Capt. Robin Lessard; Sgt. Marc Desfossés; Cpl. Jean-Marc Provost; Maj. Gilles Harbec; Cpl. Ricardo Gagné; King Kiley; Cpl. Jasmin Couture; Danielle Longpré; Cpl. Chef Pierre Villeneuve; and Cpl. Chef Louis Buteau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:27 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, February 10, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

CFB Bagotville:

Colonel Benoît Marcotte, Third Wing Commander.

Individual Witnesses:

Isola Bouchard;

Antoine Boudreault;

Éric-Michel Daoust;

Lieutenant-Colonel Jean-Luc Desgroseilliers;

Chief Warrant Officer Daniel Gilbert;

Danielle Gilbert;

Nancy Gonthier;

Corporal Christine Larivière;

Marise Ouellet;

Ghislain Pépin;

Charmaine Sammut;

Martine Simard;

Jim Temple;

Captain Louis Turcotte.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 6:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Gymnasium, Alouette School, Bagotville, Quebec, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Judi Longfield, David Pratt and Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Col. Benoit Marcotte; Adj. Chef Daniel Gilbert; Lt. Col. Jean-Luc Desgroseilliers; Capt. Louis Turcotte; Cpl. Christine Larivière; Marise Ouellet; Martine Simard; Charmaine Sammut; Danielle Gilbert; Eric Michel Daoust; Isola Bouchard; Jan Temple; Nancy Gonthier; Gislain Pépin; and Antoine Boudreault.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 9:16 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, February 11, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

CFB Bagotville:

Colonel Benoît Marcotte, Commander of the Third Squadron.

As Individual:

Corporal Charles Baril;

Corporal Daniel Bisson;

Isola Bouchard;

Robert Boudreau;

Master Warrant Officer René Couturier;

Major Bernard Desgagnés;

Caroline Dion;

Captain Luc Gaudet;

Major Jacques Gauthier;
Corporal Pierre Hébert;
Joanne Lajoie;
Chief Denis Lavoie;
Captain Yvon Martineau;
Valerie Morinville;
Corporal Julie Parent;
Nadine Parisé;
Joanne Simard;
Georges Thibault;
Sergeant Jean Tremblay;
Murielle Tremblay.



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(Meeting No. 28)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 8:15 o'clock a.m., this day, in the Gymnasium, Ouellette School, Bagotville, Quebec, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Judi Longfield, David Pratt and Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Caroline Dion; Joan Simard; Joan Lajoie; Maj. Bernard Desgagné; Muriel Tremblay; Adj. Maître René Couturier; Capt. Yvon Martineau; Cpl. Julie Parent; Robert Boudreault; Sgt. Tremblay; Georges Thibault; Capt. Luc Gaudet; Nadine Parisé; Chef Denis Lavoie; Pierre Hébert; Cpl. Charles Baril; Valerie Morinville; Cpl. Daniel Bisson; and Maj. Jacques Gauthier.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:05 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 9:10 o'clock a.m., this day, in room Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Keith Martin for Peter Goldring and Monique Guay for Pierrette Venne.

Other Members present: Ted McWhinney and Daniel Turp.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Rear Admiral James A. King, Director General, International Security Policy; and Colonel Scott Cameron, Director, Medical Services. From the Department of Foreign Affairs: Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Role of the Canadian Forces in the current Iraqi Crisis.

Rear Admiral James A. King made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:30 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 11:40 o'clock a.m., this day, in room Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger and David Pratt.

Acting Members present: Maud Debien for Pierrette Venne.

Other Members present: Ted McWhinney and André Bachand.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Rear Admiral James A. King, Director General, International Security Policy; and Colonel Scott Cameron, Director, Medical Services. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Mr. Claude Laverdure, Assistant Deputy Minister, Europe, Middle East and North Africa; and Mr. Paul Dingledine, Director General, Middle East and North Africa.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Role of the Canadian Forces in the current Iraqi Crisis.

Rear Admiral James A. King made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:40 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade *in camera* at 11:15 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chairs, Robert Bertrand and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Pat O'Brien and John O'Reilly.

Acting Members present: Monique Guay for Pierrette Venne.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Bill Graham, Sarkis Assadourian, Colleen Beaumier, Ted McWhinney, Julian Reed, Bob Speller, Maud Debien and Daniel Turp.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Rear Admiral James A. King, Director General, International Security Policy and Colonel Scott Cameron, Director, Medical Services. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy; and Paul Dingleline, Director General, Middle East and North Africa Bureau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Role of the Canadian Forces in the current Iraqi Crisis.

Paul Heinbecker made an opening statement and with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 32

Tuesday, March 10, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Social Contract.


WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

David Kinsman, Assistant Deputy Minister (Personnel).

Federation of Military and United Services Institutes of Canada:

Clive Addy, National Chairman.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:37 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, Dick Proctor, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Bill Graham for Pat O'Brien

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Federation of Military and United Services Institutes of Canada: Major-General Clive Addy (retired), National Chairman. From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant-General D. Kinsman, Assistant Deputy Minister (Personnel).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Social Contract.

Major-General Clive Addy (retired) made an opening statement and answered questions.

The Chair presented the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure, read as follows:

Your Sub-Committee met on Monday, March 9, 1998, and agreed to make the following recommendations:

1. That the Committee accept the invitation by the Board of the Perley Hospital for an on site visit in Ottawa.
2. That the Committee travel to Bosnia and Germany in May 1998.
3. That the Defence Committee request the Defence Minister and the Veterans Affairs Minister before the Committee to address the issue of the estimates on or before May 14, 1998.

After debate, the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure was adopted.

Art Hanger moved, - That the Committee undertake to review the procurement process and contract tendering relating to the search and rescue helicopter for the Canadian Armed Forces and report to the House prior to the 1998 summer recess.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following

recorded vote:

YEAS: Leon Benoît, Art Hanger,
Pierrette Venne, Dick Proctor -- (4).

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, John
O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John
Richardson, Bob Wood -- (7).

Lieutenant-General D. Kinsman made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:40 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 33

Thursday, March 12, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Social Contract.

WITNESSES:

University of Ottawa:

Gilles Paquet, Centre on Governance.

Wilfrid Laurier University:

Terry Copp, Co-Director, Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:15 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Jocelyne Girard-Bujold for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the University of Ottawa: Professor Gilles Paquet. From Wilfrid Laurier University: Professor Terry Copp.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Social Contract.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:00 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 34

Monday, March 16, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As Individual:

Renay Bradley;

Chris Buczynski, Master Corporal;

Martine Buczynski;

June Cayen, wife of Master Corporal Plouffe;

Jim Dunfield, Captain;

Joanne Geddes;

Philip Nicholson, Sergeant;

Dawn Pedersen, Corporal;

Jacques Plouffe, Master Corporal;

Paul Stemmler, Corporal;

Lawrence Tierney, Master Corporal;

Brian Wilson, Master Corporal.

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MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 2:00 o'clock p.m., this day, at Junior Ranks Club in Kingston, Ontario, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Sgt. Philip Nicholson; MCpl. Jacques Plouffe; Martine Buczynski; Capt. Jim Dunfield; June Cayen; MCpl. Chris Buczynski; Cpl. Paul Stemmler; MCpl. Brian Wilson; MCpl. Lawrence Tierney; Cpl. Dawn Pedersen; Joanne Geddes; and Renay Bradley.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:10 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 35

Monday, March 16, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Union of National Defence Employees:

Gladys Maguire, Second Vice-President, Local 641.

As individual:

Alice Aiken, Lieutenant;

Lory Allen;

Dianne Anthony;

Rob Bulger, Corporal;

Peggy Davidson;

François Demers, Sergeant;

Jim Elwood, Captain;

Brian Farkes, Captain;

Michelle Foreman;

Dan Haslip, Warrant Officer;
Steven Hill, Lieutenant-Colonel;
Carl Homer, Corporal;
Mason Huddleston, Corporal;
Donald MacPherson, Master Corporal;
Alan McDonald, Corporal;
Bob O'Hara, Sergeant;
LCol Dave Pentney, Lieutenant-Colonel;
Gil Pierog, Captain;
Chuck Rowsell;
Dove Taylor, Corporal;
Beverly Thibault;
Steve Waller;
Kelly Watters, Corporal;
Sgt Jeff Wilson, Sergeant.

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MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:05 o'clock p.m., this day, at Junior Ranks Club in Kingston, Ontario, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Peggy Davidson; Cpl. Huddleston; Gladys Maguire; Dianne Anthony; Capt. Jim Elwood; Steve Waller; Cpl. Carl Homer; Cpl. Rob Bulger; Lory Allen; Michelle Foreman; Capt. Gil Pierog; Cpl. Dove Taylor; Capt. Brian Farkes; Cpl. Kelly Watters; MCpl. Donald MacPherson; Beverly Thibault; Lt. Alice Aiken; Cpl. Alan McDonald; Lt. Col. Dave Pentney; Sgt. Jeff Wilson; Left Col. Steven Hill; Sgt. Bob O'Hara; Sgt. François Demers; Warrant Officer Dan Haslip; and Chuck Rowsell.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:40 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 36

Tuesday, March 17, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Housing

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Morrie Evans, General Manager, Operations, Canadian Forces Housing Agency;

Mike C. Nelson, Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Forces Housing Agency.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Mike C. Nelson, CEO, Canadian Forces Housing Agency; and Morrie Evans, General Manager, Operations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Housing.

Mike C. Nelson made an opening statement and with the other witness, answered questions.

On motion of David Pratt, it was agreed, - That the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs invite the Foreign Affairs committee to attend a special joint briefing on the Medak pocket operation of September 1993 before the committee travels to Bosnia so that Members of both committees will have a "working appreciation" of Canada's peace-keeping efforts and the role of the Canadian Forces.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 37

Thursday, March 19, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Housing

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Mike C. Nelson, CEO, Canadian Forces Housing Agency.

Treasury Board Secretariat:

Lawrence R. Birch, Acting Director, Bureau of Real Property Management;

Claude Caron, Acting Assistant Secretary, Government Operations Sector.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:07 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Treasury Board Secretariat: Claude Caron, Acting Assistant Secretary, Government Operations Sector; and Lawrence R. Birch, Acting Director, Bureau of Real Property Management. *From the Department of National Defence:* Mike C. Nelson, CEO, Canadian Forces Housing Agency.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Housing.

Claude Caron made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:40 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Monday, March 23, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Forces Base North Bay:

Reginald Gilbert, Base Chaplain, 22 Wing;
Ted Hargreaves, Honorary Colonel, 22 Wing;
Paul Hussey, Colonel, Base Commander, 22 Wing;
Philip Richardson, Honorary Colonel, 21 Squadron.

As Individual:

Mireille Hébert;
Trevor McLeod, Captain;
Kevin Mercer, Captain;
Daniel Migneault, Major;
Carole Moody;

Paul Murphy, Corporal;

Brian Pringle;

Gisèle Royer, Major;

Theresa Schopf;

George Sherwood, Major;

Helen Smith;

Ray Smith;

Karen Stewart;

Achim von Wiedner, Captain.

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MONDAY, MARCH 23, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:02 o'clock p.m., this day, at the Base Gymnasium, Town Hall in North Bay, Ontario, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, George Proud, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Col. Paul Hussey; HCol. Ted Hargreaves; Capt. Trevor McLeod; Mr. Brian Pringle; HCol. Philip Richardson; Maj. George Sherwood; Helen Smith; Mireille Hébert; Carole Moody; Cpl. Paul Murphy; Karen Stewart; Maj. Gisèle Royer; Captain Achim von Wiedner; Major Daniel Migneault; Theresa Schopf; Reginald E. Gilbert; Capt. Kevin Mercer; Ray Smith.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:10 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 39

Tuesday, March 24, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces—Compensation and Benefits

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Pierre Lemay, Colonel; Director General, Compensation and Benefits.

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(Meeting No. 39)

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Colonel Pierre Lemay, Director General, Compensation and Benefits.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Compensation and Benefits.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:17 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 40

Thursday, March 26, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Compensation and Benefits

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Jean-Pierre Cyr, Lieutenant-Colonel, Assistant to Director General, Compensation and Benefits;

Renée Jolicoeur, Director, Accounts Processing, Pay and Pension;

Pierre Lemay, Colonel, Director General, Compensation and Benefits.

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(Meeting No. 40)

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:07 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Colonel Pierre Lemay, Director General, Compensation and Benefits; Mrs. Renée Jolicoeur, Director Accounts Processing, Pay and Pensions; and Lt.-Col. Jean-Pierre Cyr.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces -- Compensation and Benefits.

Colonel Pierre Lemay and Renée Jolicoeur made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 11:00 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 41

Le lundi 30 mars 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Forces Base Trenton:

Lieutenant Colonel M.L. Romanow, 8th Wing Administration Officer.

As individuals:

Sergeant Rick Blouin;

Corporal Gordon Chamberlain;

Master Corporal Lucy Critch-Smith;

Colonel M.J. Dumais;

Chief Warrant Officer J.E. Fournier;

Corporal Barb Gaboury;

Captain Heber Gillam;

Sergeant Ivan Harvey;

Master Corporal Dave Hovdestad;

Master Corporal Denis Jobin;
Major Sylvain Lepage;
Private Jason Ochosky;
Jason Porteous;
Master Corporal Janice Quade;
Corporal Jon Stonehouse;
Leading Seaman Dawn Wheeler;
Master Corporal Irene Witty.

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(Meeting No. 41)

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 2:05 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Astra Lounge, Town Hall, Trenton, Ontario, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Judi Longfield, David Price and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: MCpl. Lucy Critch-Smith; MCpl. Irene Witty; Janice Quade; Lt.-Col. M.L. Romanow; Dawn Wheeler; Private Jason Ochosky; Sgt. Ivan Harvey; Jason Porteous; Barb Gaboury; Gordon Chamberlain; Col. M.J. Dumais; Sgt. Rick Blouin; Maj. Sylvain Lepage; MCpl. Dave Hovdestad; Capt. Heber Gillam; Chief Cpl. Denis Jobin; Cpl. Jon Stonehouse; CWO Jean-Charles Fournier.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:13 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

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Monday, March 30, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As Individuals:

Richard Abram;

David Beck;

Louis Bédard, Sergeant;

Elaine Black;

Mike Blow, Captain;

Andy Cook, Captain;

Lucy Critch-Smith, Master Corporal;

Britta Foster;

André Gagnon, Captain;

Klaus Knauer, Corporal;

Martine Lauzé, Lieutenant;

Mark McCullins, Lieutenant;

Heather McRitchie, Corporal;

Vern Miller, Corporal;

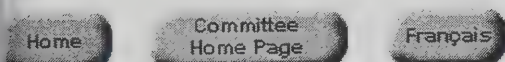
Steve Panasky;

Denis Paquet, Corporal;

Gwen Perrault;

Mark Quade, Corporal;

Bev Warden.



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MONDAY, MARCH 30, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:05 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Astra Lounge, Town Hall, Trenton, Ontario, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Judi Longfield, David Price and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Lt. Martine Lauzé; MCpl. Lucy Critch-Smith; Britta Foster; Gwen Perrault; Cpl. Denis Paquet; Sgt. Louis Bedard; Bev. Warden; Captain Andy Cook; Richard Abram; MCpl. Heather McRitchie; Elaine Black; Lt. Mark McCullins; Capt. Mike Blow; Klaus Knauer; Vern Miller; Capt. André Gagnon; Steve Panasky; David Beck.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 9:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 43

Tuesday, March 31, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Compensation and Benefits

WITNESSES:

Treasury Board Secretariat:

Alain Jolicoeur, Chief Human Resources Officer;

Fernand R. Lamarche, Human Resources Executive, Labour Relations and Human Resources Management Division;

Tony Rizzotto, Acting Director, Executive and Excluded Groups Compensation.



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Meeting No. 43)

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:37 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Pat O'Brien, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

Other Members present: Ghislain Lebel.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Treasury Board Secretariat: Tony Rizzotto, Acting Director, Executive and Excluded Groups Compensation; Alain Jolicoeur, Chief Human Resources Officer; and Fernand R. Lamarche, Human Resources Executive, Labour Relations and Human Resources Management Division.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Compensation and Benefits.

Alain Jolicoeur made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 44

Wednesday, April 1, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Alternative Service Delivery

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Yvon DeBlois, Captain, Project Manager, Supply Chain Project;

Peter Gartenburg, Brigadier-General, Director General, Management Renewal Services;

Robert Hanson, Director, Civilian Employment Policies;

Kathryn Howard, Manager, Alternative Services Delivery;

Robert Ryan, Lieutenant-Colonel, Project Manager, Goose Bay.

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(Meeting No. 44)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:40 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Brigadier-General Peter Gartenburg, Director General, Management Renewal Services; Kathryn Howard, Alternative Services Delivery Manager; Captain (N) Y. DeBlois, Project Manager, Supply Chain Project; Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Ryan, Project Manager, Goose Bay; and Mr. Robert Hanson, Director, Civilian Employment Policies.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Alternative Service Delivery.

Brigadier-General Peter Gartenburg made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Art Hanger proposed to move, - That this Committee undertake a review of the process surrounding the awarding of the untendered contract to Bombardier for the NATO flight training school in Moose Jaw.

After debate, the motion was allowed to stand.

The Committee resumed consideration of the motion by Art Hanger, read as follows:

- That this Committee undertake a review of the process surrounding the awarding of the untendered contract to Bombardier for the NATO flight training school in Moose Jaw.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Leon E. Benoit, Art Hanger,
Ghislain Lebel, David Price -- (4).

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield,
Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud,
John Richardson -- (6).

At 5:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 45

Thursday, April 2, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on possible Canadian participation in a peacekeeping force in the Central African Republic

APPEARING:

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs;

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence.

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Raymond Crabbe, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

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Meeting No. 45)

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 4:38 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chairs, Robert Bertrand and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Fournier for Pierrette Venne and Ted McWhinney for Bob Wood.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Maud Debien, Gurmant Grewal, Ted McWhinney Denis Paradis, Julian Reed.

Acting Members: Marlene Jennings for Jean Augustine; Peter Adams for Colleen Beaumier; Rose-Marie Ur for John Cannis; Lynn Myers for Denis Paradis; and Jim Hart for Bob Mills.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Michel Rossignol, James Lee and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

From Committees and Legislative Services: Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk.

Appearing: The Honourable Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence; The Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: Lieutenant General R.R. Crabbe, Deputy Chief of Defence Staff.

In accordance with its mandate under Standing Order 108(2), the Committees convened a briefing session on possible Canadian participation in a peacekeeping force in the Central African Republic.

The Honourable Lloyd Axworthy and the Honourable Art Eggleton each made an opening statement, and with Lieutenant General Crabbe, answered questions.

George Proud moved, That whereas the international community recognizes the importance of stability in the Central African Republic;

Whereas the United Nations Security Council has adopted a resolution establishing a United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic (MINURCA) to contribute to the stability of the Central African Republic; and

Whereas the Government of Canada has been asked to contribute to this operation,

the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade and the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs recommend that the Government of Canada agree to contribute a maximum of 50 Canadian communications personnel, consistent with the United Nations mandate, to this operation.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

At 5:46 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 46

Monday, April 20, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

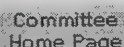
Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As Individuals:

Marguerita Bargiel;
Darnell Bass, Sergeant;
Cheryl Beaumont;
Diane Cawley;
Franco Ceccato, Corporal;
Gavin Cross, Corporal;
Pat Eglinton, Master Corporal;
Tina George;
Angela Hulbert;
Michael Hulbert, Corporal;
Alex Madaire, Corporal;

Carol McCabe, Corporal;
Stan Mercredi, Master Corporal;
Bill Nachuk, Private;
Julie Nantel;
Beverly Paasila;
Tom Paisley, Corporal;
Dena Palamades;
Betty Paquette;
Ron Paramor, Corporal;
Monique Perry, Master Corporal;
David Sheppard, Corporal;
Mark Tardif;
Jennifer West;
Robert Wylie, Corporal;
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MONDAY, APRIL 20, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:00 o'clock a.m., this day, in the Drill Hall, 1st Battalion RCR of Town Hall, Petawawa, Ontario, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Roundtable: Dena Palamedes; Sgt. Darnell Bass; Cpl. Alex Madaire; Cheryl Beaumont; Marguerita Bargill; Betty Paquette; MCpl. Stan Mercredi; Gavin Cross; MCpl. Monique Perry; Cpl. Tom Paisley; Diane Cawley; Cpl. Michael Hulbert; Cpl. David Sheppard; Private Bill Nachuk; Patty; Angela Hulbert; Cpl. Robert Wylie; Tina George; Beverly Paasila; Julie Nantel; Cpl. McCabe; Marc Tardiff; Cpl. Franco Ceccato; Cpl. Ron Paramor; Jennifer West; Pat Eglinton.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:55 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 47

Tuesday, April 21, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

CFB Petawawa:

Walter Natynczyk, Lieutenant-Colonel, Acting Commander, 2CMBG.

Union of National Defence Employees:

Mary Chamberlain, Vice-President, Ontario Region;

Margaret Tebbutt, President, Local 629.

As Individual:

Nancy Adams;

Brad Brodhagen, Lieutenant (Naval);

Kevin Byrne, Sergeant;

Jacques Campbell, Corporal;

P.G. Coppicus, Corporal;

Pat Eagar;

Pat Eglinton, Master Corporal;
Millie Evans;
Laurie Gagnon;
Steve Graham, Captain;
Anne Harlow;
Raymond C. James, Warrant Officer;
Claude Langlois, Corporal;
Rod MacDougall, Sergeant;
Angela Malejczuk;
J. McKimmie, Private ;
Pete O'Neill, Corporal;
Dale Pitcher, Master Corporal;
Gaetan St-Amand, Master Corporal.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 8:35 o'clock a.m., this day, in the Drill Hall, 1st Battalion RCR of Town Hall, Petawawa, Ontario, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Roundtable: Margaret Tebbutt; W.O. Raymond James; Private J. McKimmie; Millie Evans; Pat Eglinton; Sgt. Rod MacDougall; Dale Pitcher; Cpl. P.G. Coppicus; Angela Malejczuk; Sgt. Kevin Byrne; Pat Eagar; Laurie Gagnon; Cpl. Claude Langlois; Lt. Brad Brodhagen; Mary Chamberlain; Capt. Steve Graham; MCpl. Gaetan St-Amand; Cpl. Jacques Campbell; Anne Harlow; Cpl. Pete O'Neill; Nancy Adams; Lt.-Col. Walter Natynczyk.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 48

Tuesday, April 21, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Roméo Dallaire, Lieutenant-General, Assistant Deputy Minister (Personnel).

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Meeting No. 48)

TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From National Defence: Lt.-Gen. Romeo Dallaire, Assistant Deputy Minister, Personnel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces -- Personnel Support Program.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 49

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

APPEARING:

The Honourable Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Allan F. Fenske, Colonel, Office of the Judge Advocate General;

Gary L. Garnett, Vice-Admiral, Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Chris Axworthy, Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne and Jim Hart for Peter Goldring.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Michel Rossignol, and David Goetz, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the Department of National Defence: The Honourable Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Vadm. Gary L. Garnett, Vice Chief of the Defence Staff; Col. A.F. Fenske, Office of the Judge Advocate General.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of March 31, 1998, study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of its Order of Reference dated Tuesday, March 31, 1998 relating to Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 50

Thursday, April 23, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces - Personnel Support Program

Study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Jim Jamieson, Director, Military Family Support, Canadian Forces Personnel Support Agency.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 50)

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:07 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From National Defence: Jim Jamieson, Director, Military Family Support, Canadian Forces Personnel Support Agency.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Personnel Support Program.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of potential witnesses in relation to C-25 an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

Art Hanger moved, - That Bob Fowler be invited as a witness on Bill C-25.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Art Hanger, David Price – (2).

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood – (7).

David Price moved, - That Kim Campbell be invited as a witness on Bill C-25.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Art Hanger, David Price – (2).

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood – (7).

Ghislain Lebel moved, - That Marcel Masse be invited as a witness on Bill C-25.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Art Hanger, Ghislain Lebel, David Price – (3).

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood – (7).

On motion of Art Hanger, it was agreed, - That Colonel Greg Mitchell be invited to appear

before the Committee on Bill C-25.

David Price moved, - That Colonel Michel Drapeau be invited as a witness on Bill C-25.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Art Hanger, Ghislain Lebel,
David Price – (3).

NAYS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield,
Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud,
John Richardson, Bob Wood – (7).

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 51

Monday, April 27, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Medak Pocket

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Jim Butters, Master Warrant Officer;

Chris Byrne, Sergeant;

Jim Calvin, Colonel;

Tyrone Green, Captain;

Elise Huffman;

Scott Leblanc, Officer Cadet;

Mike McCarthy, Chief Warrant Officer.

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(Meeting No. 51)

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Jean Augustine for Judi Longfield and Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

Other Members present: The Honourable Art Eggleton.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Capt. Tyrone Green; Col. Jim Calvin; Officer Cadet Scott LeBlanc; Chief Warrant Officer Mike McCarthy; Sgt. Chris Byrne; Master Warrant Officer Jim Butters; Elise Huffman.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Medak Pocket.

Col. Jim Calvin, Elise Huffman, Master Warrant Officer Jim Butters, and Chief Warrant Officer Mike McCarthy made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 6:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 52

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of March 31, 1998, study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Greg Mitchell, Colonel, Base Commander, Petawawa.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:10 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, David Pratt, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Jim Hart for Art Hanger and Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Michel Rossignol and Dave Goetz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Col. Greg Mitchell, Base Commander, Petawawa.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of March 31, 1998, study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The Committee resumed consideration of its Order of Reference, dated March 31, 1998, relating to Bill-C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The witness answered questions.

At 10:25 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 53

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces - Care of Injured, Retired and Veterans

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

J.M.G. Baril, General, Chief of the Defence Staff;

Wendy Clay, Major-General, Director General, Health Services; Surgeon General,
Canadian Forces;

Terry Meloche, Chief Petty Officer.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 53)

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Gen. J.M.G. Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; Maj.-Gen. Wendy Clay, Director General, Health Services; Chief Petty Officer Terry Meloche.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Care of Injured, Retired and Veterans

General J.M.G. Baril and Maj.-Gen. Wendy Clay made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 54

Wednesday, April 29, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Main Estimates for the year ending March 31, 1999

APPEARING:

The Honourable Fred Mifflin, Minister of Veterans Affairs and Secretary of State (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency)

WITNESS:

Department of Veterans Affairs:

David Nicholson, Deputy Minister.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 54)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson

Associate Member present: Elsie Wayne

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the Department of Veterans Affairs: The Honourable Fred Mifflin, Minister of Veterans Affairs and Secretary of State (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency); David Nicholson, Deputy Minister.

The Committee proceeded to its Order of reference, dated Thursday, February 26, 1998, relating to the Main Estimates for the year ending March 31, 1999.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 55

Thursday, April 30, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces - Care of Injured, Retired and Veterans

WITNESSES:

Canadian Association of Veterans in United Nations Peacekeeping:

John Gardam, National President;

Canadian Peacekeeping Veterans Association:

Jim MacMillan-Murphy;

Department of National Defence:

J.M.G. Baril, General, Chief of the Defence Staff;

Scott Cameron, Colonel, Director of Medical Services.

R.G. McClellan, Lieutenant-Colonel, Special Project Officer for Chief of Staff, Assistant Deputy Minister (Personnel).

Royal Canadian Legion:

R.E. Keast, Assistant Director Service Bureau, Dominion Command.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:01 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt.-Col. R.G. McLellan, Special Project Officer for COS ADM (Personnel), Care of Injured Personnel and their Families Review; Gen. J.M.G. Baril, Chief of Defence Staff; Col. Scott Cameron, Director, Medical Services. From the Canadian Legion: R.E. Keast, Assistant Director Service Bureau, Dominion Command. From the Canadian Association of Veterans in UN Peace-keeping: John Gardam, Acting President. From the Canadian Peacekeeping Veterans Association: Jim MacMillan-Murphy, Member.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Care of Injured, Retired and Veterans.

Gen. J.M.G. Baril and Lt.-Col. R.G. McLellan made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

R.E. Keast, John Gardam and Jim MacMillan-Murphy made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 56

Monday, May 4, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

Michael Bolger, Corporal;
William Bradley, Corporal;
Ann Dickey, Private;
Yvonne Higgins, Corporal;
Greg James, Sergeant;
Leon Ledgister, Private;
Robert Marin, Master Seaman;
John McTaggart, Sergeant;
Tim Petrash, Master Corporal;

Stan Poirier, Sergeant;

Stephen Pottle, Sergeant;

Lorrie Russell, Corporal;

Nelson Russell, Corporal;

Ken Sandall, Corporal;

Doug Seed, Chief Warrant Officer;

Jim York, Sergeant.

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(Meeting No. 56)

MONDAY, MAY 4, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 1:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Base Theatre, Gagetown, New Brunswick, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Private Ann Dickey; Sgt. Jim York; Sgt. John McTaggart; Sgt. Stephen Pottle; Master Seaman Robert Marin; Cpl. Ken Sandall; Private Leon Ledgister; Cpl. Michael Bolger; Master Cpl. Tim Petrash; Sgt. Stan Poirier; Cpl. Lorrie Russell; Sgt. Greg James; CWO Doug Seed; Cpl. Nelson Russell; Cpl. Yvonne Higgins; Corporal Bradley.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 57

Monday, May 4, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As Individuals:

Vatché Arslanian;

Nivard Audet, Master Warrant Officer;

Debra Barnett;

Helen Barsby;

Heather Daley;

Anthony Drew, Corporal

Debbie Foley;

Sylvie Fréchette;

Colleen Huckstep;

Brent Kerr, Captain;

Melinda Kiah;

Wolfgang Kirchner, Captain;
Shelley Knott;
Denise Laplante;
Nathalie LeBlanc;
Brian LeBreton, Corporal;
Lee Mawhinney;
Louise McCance;
Chris Nightingale, Private;
Luc Plourde, Captain;
Ann Pritchard-Thornhill;
Tony Rice, Corporal;
David Robinson-Vincent, Master Corporal;
Carol Roy;
David Sterling, Corporal;
Mireille Trudeau;
Liana Villeneuve;
Darlene Wahl;
Mike Walsh, Sergeant.

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MONDAY, MAY 4, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 6:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Base Theatre, Gaagetown, New Brunswick, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, David Price and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Ann Pritchard-Thornhill; Capt. Luc Plourde; Capt. Brent Kerr; Nathalie Leblanc; Cpl. David Sterling; Chris Nightingale; David Robinson-Vincent; Nivard Audet; Cpl. Tony Rice; Cpl. Brian LeBreton; Sgt. Mike Walsh; Cpl. Anthony Drew; Liana Villeneuve; Lee Mawhinney; Colleen Huckstep; Darlene Wahl; Melinda Kiah; Heather Daley; Sylvie Frechette; Louise McCance; Kathy Krause; Mireille Trudeau; Vatche Anslanian; Denise Laplante; Helen Barsby; Mrs. Carol Roy; Capt. Wolfgang Kirchner; Shelley Knott; Debbie Foley; Debra Barnett.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 58

Tuesday, May 5, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Union of National Defence Employees:

Terry Quinn, President.

As individuals:

Al Babin;

Boyd Barnes, Captain;

Joe Buckle, Sergeant;

Art Crawley, Captain (Padre);

Theresa Ethier, Corporal;

Joe Kristiansen, Corporal;

Ron Langevin, Sergeant;

Laverne Suppa;

Brian Quick, Captain;

Wade Walsh, Master Corporal;

Phil Woodhead, Master Corporal.

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TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:00 o'clock p.m., this day, at the Officers' Mess, Goose Bay, Newfoundland, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt and David Price.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

Other Members present: Lawrence O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Terry Quinn, Past President, UNDE; Cpl. Theresa Ethier, MOC 831; Capt. Boyd Barnes, ATC; Capt. Art Crawley, Padre; Mr. Al Babin, Ex-Military & PSP Manager; Mrs. Laverne Suppa, Military Spouse; Sgt. Ron Langevin, MOC 131; Sgt. Joe Buckle, MOC 933; Capt. Brian Quick, Wing Administration Officer; MCpl Phil Woodhead, MP 811; MCpl Wade Walsh, Cook 861; Cpl. Joe Kristiansen.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 59

Thursday, May 7, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

Beverly Beaulieu;

Joseph André Champoux, Master Seaman;

Eric Hazelwood;

Elizabeth Hurley;

Michael Hurley;

Mike Innes;

Al Lannon;

Dean Mackinnon; Master Seaman;

Wanda MacQueen;

Fred Millar, Chief Petty Officer;
Rick Moffatt; Chief Warrant Officer;
Jocelyn Naud;
Larry Pennell;
Carol Preston;
Susan Riordon;
Trina Romard; Corporal;
Dawn Russell;
Rudi Saueracker;
Patricia Tremblay;
Howard West;
Allan White.

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THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:05 o'clock p.m., this day, at the Fleet Club in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, David Pratt and David Price.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne and Wendy Lill for Chris Axworthy.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Susan Riordon; Master Seaman Dean Mackinnon; Patricia Tremblay; Cpl. Trina Romard; Howard West, UNDE; Chief Fred Millar; Al Lannon; Mike Innes; Capt. Dawn Russell; Allan White; Wanda MacQueen; Larry Pennell; Elizabeth Hurley; Michael Hurley; Jocelyn Naud; Eric Hazelwood; CWO Rick Moffatt; Joseph André Champoux; Carol Pressault; Beverly Beaulieu; Rudi Saueracker.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:10 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 60

Friday, May 8, 1998

Halifax

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

Mario Castonguay, Corporal;

Earl Corn, Chief Petty Officer;

Deborah March, Captain;

Tim Materi, Master Seaman;

Jim McCluskey, Warrant Officer;

Dusty Miller, Rear Admiral;

Joy Smith;

Barb St. John;

Sean Taylor, Captain;

Dave Tremblay, Corporal.

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(Meeting No. 60)

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 8:30 o'clock a.m., this day, at the Fleet Club in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, David Pratt and David Price.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne and Wendy Lill for Chris Axworthy.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Rear Adm. Dusty Miller; CPO Earl Corn; WO Jim McCluskey; Barb St-John; Capt. Deborah March; Master Seaman Tim Materi; Cpl. Dane Tremblay; Joy Smith, MFRC; Capt. Sean Taylor; Cpl. Mario Castonguay.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 61

Monday, May 11, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Allan F. Fenske, Colonel, Deputy Judge Advocate General, Advisory and Legislation,
Office of the Judge Advocate General.

As individuals:

Charles Belzile, Lieutenant General (retired);

Right Hon. Brian Dickson, Chief Justice of Canada (retired).

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(Meeting No. 61)

MONDAY, MAY 11, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Pierrette Venne.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Maurice Godin.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Michel Rossignol and David Goetz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: The Rt Honourable Brian Dickson, Chief Justice of Canada (Retired); Lt-Gen. Charles H. Belzile; Col. A.F. Fenske, Office of the Judge Advocate General.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of March 31, 1998, study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The Rt Hon. Brian Dickson made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:12 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 62

Tuesday, May 12, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

WITNESSES:

Queen's University:

Doug Bland, Chair, Defence Management Studies Program, School of Policy Studies.

As individuals:

Peter Desbarats;

Brian Grainger.

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TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Michel Rossignol and Dave Goetz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Queen's University: Dr. Douglas Bland, Chair, Defence Management Studies Program. *As individuals:* Peter Desbarats; Brian Grainger.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of March 31, 1998, study of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 63

Tuesday, May 12, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces — Care of Injured, Retired and Veterans

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Pierre Boutet, Brigadier-General, Judge Advocate General.

Veterans Affairs Canada:

Bernard Butler, Acting Director General of Benefits;

W.D. Mogan, Director General, Health Care, Veterans Services;

Dennis Wallace, Assistant Deputy Minister, Veterans Services.

Veterans Review and Appeal Board:

Brian Chambers, Chairman.

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TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Pierrette Venne

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Maurice Godin and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Veterans Review & Appeal Board: Brian Chambers, Chairman. *From Veterans Affairs Canada:* Denis Wallace, Assistant Deputy Minister; Brig.-Gen. Pierre Boutet; Bernard Butler, Assistant Director; Darrah Mogan, Director General, Health Care Veterans Services.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces – Care of Injured, Retired and Veterans.

Denis Wallace and Brian Chambers made opening statements and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:05 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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on

NATIONAL DEFENCE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 64

Wednesday, May 13, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Main Estimates for the year ending March 31, 1999 - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under National Defense

APPEARING:

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

G.L. Garnett, Vice-Admiral, Vice Chief of the Defence Staff;

Pierre L. Lagueux, Assistant Deputy Minister.

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LE MERCREDI 13 MAI 1998

Le Comité permanent de la défense nationale et des anciens combattants se réunit aujourd'hui à 15 h 40, dans la salle 269 de l'édifice de l'Ouest, sous la présidence de Robert Bertrand (*président*).

Membres du Comité présents : Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud et Pierrette Venne.

Membres suppléants présents : Charles Hubbard pour Judi Longfield, Janco Peric pour Pat O'Brien, Wendy Lill pour Chris Axworthy.

Aussi présents : De la Direction de la recherche parlementaire de la Bibliothèque du Parlement : Wolf Koerner et Michel Rossignol, attachés de recherche.

Comparaît : Du ministère de la Défense nationale : L'honorable Arthur C. Eggleton, ministre.

Témoins : Du ministère de la Défense nationale : vice-amiral G.L. Garnett, vice-chef de l'état-major de la défense; Jim Judd, sous-ministre; Pierre L. Lagueux, sous-ministre adjoint.

Conformément à son ordre de renvoi du jeudi 26 février 1998, le Comité examine le budget des dépenses principal pour l'exercice se terminant le 31 mars 1999 - Crédits 1, 5 et 10 sous la rubrique de la Défense nationale.

Le ministre fait une déclaration et, avec les témoins, répond aux questions.

À 17 h 35, le Comité s'ajourne jusqu'à nouvelle convocation de la présidence.

Le greffier du Comité,

EUGENE MORAWSKI

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 65

Thursday, May 14, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Allan Fenske, Colonel, Deputy Judge Advocate General, Advisory and Legislation.

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(Meeting No. 65)

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:10 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Pierrette Venne.

Acting Members present: Ivan Grose for Bob Wood and Janko Peric for Pat O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Michel Rossignol and Dave Goetz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Col. A.F. Fenske, Office of the Judge Advocate General.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of March 31, 1998, the Committee continued its consideration of Bill C-25, an Act to amend the National Defence Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The Committee proceeded to the clause by clause consideration of Bill C-25.

The Chair called Clause 1.

Clause 1 carried.

On Clause 2

Pierrette Venne moved, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 2, be amended by replacing lines 29 to 33 on page 3 with the following:

" 9. (1) The Governor in Council may appoint a barrister or advocate with at least ten years' standing at the bar of a province to be the Judge Advocate General of the Canadian Forces."

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

Clause 2 carried.

Clauses 3 to 6 carried severally.

On Clause 7

Art Hanger moved, That Bill C-25, in Clause 7, be amended by replacing line 10 on page 8

with the following:

"appointed, on the recommendation of the standing committee of the House of Commons that normally considers matters relating to national defence, by the Governor in Council that are"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25 in Clause 7, be amended by replacing, in the English version, line 19 on page 12 with the following:

"in the exercise or purported exercise of a power or in the performance or purported performance of"

Clause 7, as amended, carried on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, Janko Peric, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson, Ivan Grose – (8).

NAYS: Art Hanger, Pierrette Venne –(2).

Clauses 8 to 10 carried severally.

On Clause 11

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25 in Clause 11, be amended by striking out lines 21 to 23 on page 13 with the following:

"(d) personal or movable property, including cash, found on the deceased person or on a defence establishment or other-"

Clause 11, as amended, carried.

Clause 12 carried.

On Clause 13

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 13, be amended by replacing lines 29 and 30 on page 14 with the following:

"(c) to receive and accept, on oath or by affidavit or otherwise, any evidence and other informa-"

Clause 13, as amended, carried.

Clauses 14 to 31 carried severally.

On Clause 32

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 32, be amended by replacing line 24 on page 19 with the following:

"Board, an Inquiry Committee established for the purpose of subsection 165.1(2) or

165.21(2), the Military Police Complaints Com-"

Clause 32, as amended, carried.

Clauses 33 to 40 carried severally.

On Clause 41

Art Hanger moved, - That Bill C-25 be amended by adding after line 18 on page 27 the following new clause:

" 41.1 The Act is amended by adding the following after section 156:

156.1 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Act or the regulations, such officers and non-commissioned members who are appointed as military police under the regulations for the purposes of section 156, shall report to the Judge Advocate General in matters relating to the investigation of alleged major disciplinary offences and criminal misconduct, whether those offences or that misconduct occurred in Canada or outside Canada."

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

Clause 41 carried, on division.

On Clause 42

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by replacing, in the French version, lines 31 and 32 on page 30 with the following:

"l'occasion de présenter leurs observations, l'officier qui a effectué une révision aux termes du paragraphe (2) peut rendre toute ordonnance"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by replacing, in the French version, lines 27 and 28 on page 31 with the following:

"en liberté, commettra une infraction ou nuira à l'administration de la"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by adding after line 13 on page 40 the following:

"(2.1) The Inquiry Committee is deemed to have the powers of a court martial."

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by replacing, in the French version, lines 23 to 25 on page 41 with the following:

"(2) Le juge-avocat général peut établir par écrit des"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by replacing, in the French version, line 30 on page 41 with the following:

"(3) Le juge-avocat général peut, par écrit, établir des lignes"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended

by replacing, in the English version, lines 5 and 6 on page 42 with the following:

"instruction or guideline, or any part of it, to be available to the"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by adding after line 2 on page 43 the following:

"(2.1) The Inquiry Committee is deemed to have the powers of a court martial."

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by replacing, in the French version, line 4 on page 44 with the following:

"**165.27** Le juge militaire en chef peut déléguer à un"

Clause 42, as amended, was allowed to stand.

Clauses 43 to 55 carried severally.

Clauses 56 to 81 carried, on division.

On Clause 82

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing, in the English version, lines 34 to 41 on page 63 with the following:

"or cannot be supported by the evidence if the new finding could validly have been made on the charge to which the new finding relates and it appears that the service tribunal was satisfied of the facts establishing the offence specified or involved in the new finding."

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing lines 5 to 13 on page 64 with the following:

"offender guilty, if it appears that the facts proved the offender guilty of the other offence and the service tribunal could have found the offender guilty of the other offence on the charge under section 133, 134 or 136 or on any alternative charge that was laid."

Art Hanger moved, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing line 18 on page 70 with the following:

"appointed by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the standing committee of the House of Commons that normally considers matters relating to national defence."

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing, in the English version, line 23 on page 73 with the following:

"in the exercise or purported exercise of a power or in the performance or purported performance of"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing line 24 on page 74 with the following:

250.2 No complaint may be made more"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing, in the French version, lines 2 and 3 on page 80 with the following:

"transmet au ministre, au chef d'état major de la"

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing line 32 on page 88 with the following:

"martial, the Grievance Board, an Inquiry Committee established for the purpose of subsection 165.1(2) or 165.21(2), the Military"

Clause 82 was allowed to stand.

Clauses 83 to 89 carried severally.

On Clause 90

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 90, be amended by replacing line 33 on page 91 with the following:

"the Grievance Board, an Inquiry Committee established for the purpose of subsection 165.1(2) or 165.21(2), a service tribunal, a"

Clause 90, as amended, carried.

Clauses 91 to 103 carried severally.

On Clause 104

Clause 104 was allowed to stand.

Clauses 105 to 123 carried severally.

On Clause 124

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 124, be amended by replacing, in the French version, line 28 on page 101 with the following:

"Defence Research Board

Clause 124, as amended, carried.

Clause 125 carried

On Clause 126

On motion of John Richardson, it was agreed, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 126, be amended

by replacing, in the French version, line 5 on page 102 with the following:

"Defence Research Board

Clause 126, as amended, carried.

Clause 127 carried, on division.

On Clause 128

Clause 128 was allowed to stand.

The Committee reverted to Clause 42, as amended.

Art Hanger moved, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 42, be amended by replacing line 32 on page 42 with the following:

"(1) The Governor in Council on the recommendation of the standing committee of the House of Commons that normally considers matters relating to national defence may"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

Clause 42, as amended, carried.

The Committee reverted to Clause 82, as amended.

Art Hanger moved, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 82, be amended by replacing line 23 and 24 on page 70 with the following:

"but may be removed for cause by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the standing committee of the House of Commons that normally considers matters relating to national defence."

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

Clause 82, as amended, carried.

The Committee reverted to Clause 104.

Clause 104 carried on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood, Pierrette Venne.

NAYS: Art Hanger.

The Committee reverted to Clause 128.

Art Hanger moved, - That Bill C-25, in Clause 128, be amended by replacing lines 21 and 22 on page 102 with the following:

"Act, comes into force on the day this Bill receives Royal Assent."

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on a show of hands.

Clause 128 carried.

The Title carried, on division.

Bill C-25, as amended, carried.

Ordered – That a reprint of Bill C-25, as amended, be printed for use of the House at report stage.

At 10:40 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 66

Monday, May 25, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces — Military Family Support Programs

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Laurie Jackson, Executive Director, Military Family Resource Centre, Meaford;

Jim Jamieson, Director, Military Family Support Program;

Michel Lemoine, President, CANEX;

Greg Pearson, Chief Programs Officer;

Isidore Popowych, Brigadier-General, Director General, Personnel Services;

Dave Roberts, President, Service Income Security Insurance Plan.

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(Meeting No. 66)

MONDAY, MAY 25, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:37 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, John Richardson and Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Brig.-Gen. Isidore Popowych, Director General, Personnel Support Agency; Jim Jamieson, Director, Military Family Support, Canadian Forces Personnel Support Agency; Mr. Dave Roberts, President, SISIP; Mr. Greg Pearson, Chief Programs Officer; Mr. Michel Lemoine, President, CANEX; Ms. Laurie Jackson, Executive Director, Military Family Resource Centre, Meaford.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces -- Military Family Support Programs.

Brig.-Gen. Isidore Popowich and Jim Jamieson made opening statements and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 67

Tuesday, May 26, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces — Military Family Support Programs

WITNESSES:

Canadian Forces Personnel Support Agency:

Jim Jamieson, Director, Military Family Support Programs Division.

United States Department of Defense:

Carolyn H. Becraft, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Personnel Support, Families and Education;

William Huleatt, Lieutenant-Colonel, Associate Director, Office of Family Policy.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 67)

TUESDAY, MAY 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:45 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, David Pratt, John Richardson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Defence (US): Carolyn H. Becraft, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defence, Personnel Support, Families and Education; Lt.-Col. William J. Huleatt, Associate Director, Office of Family Policy. From the Department of National Defence: Jim Jamieson, Director, Military Family Support, Canadian Forces Personnel Support Agency.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces -- Military Family Support Programs.

Carolyn H. Becraft made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 68

Thursday, May 28, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

André Beaudet, Chief Warrant Officer;
Mike Beaudette, Major;
Dave Daneliuk, Master Corporal;
Antonin Fortier, Chief Warrant Officer;
Deborah Kent, Corporal;
Ray Learmouth, Leading Seaman;
Steve Manser, Captain;
Ron Miller, Major;
Cathie Milne;
Bob Todd, Chief Petty Officer, 1st Class;
Donald Verrette, Master Warrant Officer;

Barbara Weaver;
Ian Zimmerman, Captain.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 68)

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 2:10 o'clock p.m., this day, at the Cartier Square Drill Hall, 2 Queen Elizabeth Drive in Ottawa, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield and David Pratt.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: MCpl Dave Daneliuk; Cathie Milne; CWO Antonio Fortier; Barbara Weaver; MWO Donald Verrette; LS Ray Learmouth; Maj Mike Beaudette; Capt Ian Zimmerman; Cpl Deborah Kent; CWO André Beaudet; Maj Ron Miller;

CPO1 Bob Todd; Capt. Steve Manser.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:53 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 69

Thursday, May 28, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Military Family Resource Centre:

Linda Gunning, Executive Director.

National Capital Military Family Resource Centre:

Sheila Johnston, President.

As individuals:

Greg Jurchuk, Master Seaman;

Sherry MacKenzie;

Michael Martino, Sergeant;

Nicole Vallée, Major;

Ron Wastrodowski, Chief Petty Officer First Class;

Nick Zacharuk, Chief Warrant Officer.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 69)

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:10 o'clock p.m., this day, at the Cartier Square Drill Hall, 2 Queen Elizabeth Drive in Ottawa, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Judi Longfield, David Pratt and John Richardson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Sheila Johnston, President, MFRC; Linda Gunning, Executive Director, MFRC; Maj Nicole Vallée; MS Greg Jurchuk; Sherry MacKenzie; Sgt Michael Martino; CWO Nick Zacharuk; CPO1 Ron Wastrodowski.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 9:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 70

Monday, June 1, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Forces Base Borden:

William Reid, Colonel, Commander, Training Schools.

As individual:

Fernand Baillargeon, Master Warrant Officer;

Earle Butt, Master Warrant Officer;

George A. Collins;

Frank De Maine, Sergeant;

Rick Fisher, Petty Officer;

Céline Lebel, Corporal;

Grant Mack, Master Warrant Officer;

George Myatte;

Alan Matthew Prusila, Corporal;

Ronald Raymond, Petty Officer;

Lynn Stoddart, Captain;

Beverly Wheeler.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 70)

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 2:01 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Terra Theatre, Borden, Ontario, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoît and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Col Bill Reid; George A. Collins; Corp Alan Matthew Prusila; MWO Earle Butt; PO Rick Fisher; PO Ronald Raymond; George Myatte; MWO Fernand Baillargeon; Capt. Lynn Stoddart; Berverly Wheeler; MWO Grant Mack; Sgt Frank DeMaine; Cpl Céline Lebel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 71

Monday, June 1, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Canadian Forces Base Borden:

William Reid, Colonel, Commander, Training Schools.

As individual:

Nancy Beardsall, Private;

Bonnie Bellerive;

Taimara Brulé;

George Burke, Master Warrant Officer;

Kerry Dagenais, Master Corporal;

Dan Duesling, Private;

Colin Feaver, Corporal;

Laurie Harrison, Master Corporal;

Inga Hildebrandt;
Joanne Hoftyzer;
Rae Joseph;
Vince Kennedy, Colonel;
Blair Meadows, Corporal;
Marc Nadeau, Sergeant;
Candy Nitschkie;
Brad Phillips;
Dolores Rice;
Bob Snider, Sergeant;
Alan Stephen, Lieutenant-Colonel;
Bruce Stubbs;
Bernie Tessier, Corporal;
Dawn Thompson;
Diane Thorne;
Christine Woermke.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 71)

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:05 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Terra Theatre, Borden, Ontario, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoît and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Col. Vince Kennedy; Sgt Marc Nadeau; Inga Hildebrandt; Dolores Rice; Joanne Hoftyzer; Bernie Tessier; Christine Woermke; Lt Col Alan Stephen; Brad Phillips; Cpl Colin Feaver; Dan Duesling; Nancy Beardsall; Taimara Brulé; Rae Joseph; Kerry Dagenais; Sgt Bob Snider; Laurie Harrison; Cpl Blair Meadows; Candy Nitschkie; Dawn Thompson; Bruce Stubbs; George Burke; Diane Thorne; Bonnie Bellerive.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:52 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 72

Tuesday, June 2, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As Individuals:

Shannon Armitage, Corporal;
Patrick Bernath, Master Corporal;
David Chaplin, Major;
Suzanne Charest, Master Corporal;
Renée Forcier, Captain;
Martin Gagnon, Chief Petty Officer;
Jacques Girard, Major;
Gwen McEachern, Captain;
Mark Paine;
Norman Rockwell, Master Seaman;
Colette Sabourin, Chief Petty Officer.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 72)

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 2:05 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Auditorium, Lorne Building, 90 Elgin Street, the Vice-Chair, Bob Wood, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: David Pratt, David Price, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Maj David Chaplin; CPO Martin Gagnon; CPO Colette Sabourin; MCpl Patrick Bernath; MCpl Suzanne Charest; Mark Paine; Capt Gwen McEachern; Capt Renée Forcier; MS Norman Rockwell; Cpl Shannon Armitage; Maj Jacques Girard.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:00 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

EUGENE MORAWSKI,
Clerk of the Committee.

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Meeting No. 73

Tuesday, June 2, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

As Individuals:

Mike Bonin, Sergeant;
Daniel Chénard;
Katie Cyrène, Corporal;
Serge Duguay, Warrant Officer;
Dan Haines, Captain;
Neville Headley, Major;
Michael Kyte, Corporal;
Brian Laughton, Major;
Donna McCarthy.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 7:10 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Auditorium, Lorne Building, 90 Elgin Street, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, David Pratt, John Richardson, Pierrette Venne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Cpl Michael Kyte; Sgt Mike Bonin; Maj Neville Headley; Dan Chénard; WO Serge Duguay; Capt Dan Haines; Cpl Katie Cyrene; Donna McCarthy; Maj Brian Laughton.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 8:55 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Robert Bertrand, Lib.

Meeting No. 74

Thursday, June 4, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

J.M.G. Baril, General, Chief of the Defence Staff;

Guy Parent, Chief Warrant Officer.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 74)

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:06 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Chris Axworthy, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Gen J.M.G. Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; CWO Guy Parent, Canadian Forces Chief Warrant Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

Gen J.M.G. Baril made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 75

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The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 9:50 a.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Robert Bertrand, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Leon Benoit, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and Bob Wood.

Acting Member(s) present: Ghislain Lebel for Maurice Godin and René Laurin for Pierrette Venne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of a draft report.

At 11:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 76

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs

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Meeting No. 76

Wednesday, October 7, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, for the purpose of organization.

Members of the Committee present: Rob Anders, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for René Laurin, Monique Guay for Maurice Godin, Gerry Byrne for John Richardson, Roy Bailey for Peter Goldring and Leon Benoit for Art Hanger.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

The Clerk presided over to the election of the Chair.

George Proud moved, - That Pat O'Brien be elected as Chair of the Committee.

Ghislain Lebel moved, - That Judi Longfield be elected as Chair of the Committee.

Leon Benoit moved, - That the Committee conduct the election of Chair and Vice-Chairs by secret ballot.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived, on division.

After debate, Judi Longfield declined the nomination.

Leon Benoit moved, - That George Proud be elected as Chair of the Committee.

After debate, George Proud declined the nomination.

Ghislain Lebel moved, - That Hec Clouthier be elected as Chair of the Committee.

After debate, Hec Clouthier declined the nomination.

And the question being put on the motion of George Proud, Pat O'Brien was elected as Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Robert Bertrand, David Pratt was elected as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Ghislain Lebel moved, - That David Price be elected as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Leon Benoit moved, - That Art Hanger be elected as Vice-Chair of the Committee in absentia.

And the question being put on the motion of Ghislain Lebel, it was negated by a show of hands.

And the question being put on the motion of Leon Benoit, Art Hanger was elected as Vice-Chair in absentia.

Roy Bailey tabled a motion relating to Private Member's Bills for consideration of the Committee.

At 4:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 77

Tuesday, October 20, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 9:30 a.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Janco Peric for John O'Reilly, Lynn Myers for George Proud, Leon Benoit for Peter Goldring, John Bryden for John O'Reilly and Ghislain Lebel for René Laurin.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 1:45 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 3:25 o'clock p.m., the sitting was resumed.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:25 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 7:03 o'clock p.m., the sitting was resumed.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 11:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 78

Tuesday, October 27, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Rob Anders, Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ghislain Lebel for Maurice Godin and Leon Benoit for Peter Goldring.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolfgang Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be allowed to make all the editorial changes necessary to reflect the amendments proposed to the text of the Draft Report.

It was agreed, - That the Committee do request a Government Response to the Report, pursuant to Standing Order 109.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be allowed to table the Report in the House, as soon as the editorial changes are incorporated to the text of the Report.

It was moved, - That the Report, as amended, be approved by the Committee.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to, on division.

It was agreed, - That the Committee append the dissenting opinion of the Reform Party following the Chair's signature.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 79

Tuesday, November 3, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

James R. (Jim) Wright, Director General, Central, East and South Europe Bureau.

Department of National Defence:

Kenneth J. Calder, Assistant Deputy Minister (Policy);

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

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Tuesday, November 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:48 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Rob Anders, Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Dr. Kenneth J. Calder, Assistant Deputy Minister (Policy); Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on the situation in Kosovo.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

It was agreed, - That the clerk prepare a list of requests from Members to be prioritized at the next meeting.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 80

Thursday, November 5, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Carleton University:

Foster J.K. Griezic, Adjunct Professor, Canadian History.

Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality:

Muriel MacDonald, Executive Director;

Gordon Olmstead, Past President, Canadian Merchant Navy Prisoner of War Association;
Past President.

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Meeting No. 80

Thursday, November 5, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality: Gordon Olmstead, President, Canadian Merchant Navy Prisoner of War Association; Muriel MacDonald, Executive Director. *From Carleton University:* Foster J.K. Griezic, Adjunct Professor, Canadian History.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a study on Veterans Issues

Gordon Olmstead and Foster J.K. Griezic made opening statements and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:53 o'clock a.m., the Committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 81

Tuesday, November 17, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESS:

As individual:

Robert F. Linden.



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Meeting No. 81

Tuesday, November 17, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Lou Sekora for Bob Wood and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Michel Rossignol, Research Officers.

Witness: As Individual: Robert Linden (Hong Kong Veterans).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

On motion of Peter Goldring, it was agreed, - That the Minister of Veterans Affairs be requested to appear before the Committee at the earliest opportunity, to address Part 3 of the Estimates and the Performance Reviews of the Department for the fiscal year of 1997-98.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 82

Thursday, November 19, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Armed Forces Pensioners'/Annuitants Association of Canada:

E. W. Halayko, Chairman;

Ian McBride, Legal Counsel.

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Meeting No. 82

Thursday, November 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Ivan Grose for Robert Bertrand and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Grant Purves, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Armed Forces Pensioners'/Annuitants Association of Canada: E.W. Halayko, Chairman; Ian McBride, Legal Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Veterans Issues

Ian McBride and E.W. Halayko made opening statements and answered questions.

On motion of George Proud, it was agreed, - That the Committee authorise the Chair to seek an operating budget of \$5,200.00 and a travel budget of \$25,718.00 for its travel to Germany from January 24 to 31, 1998.

At 11:10 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 83

Tuesday, November 24, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESS:

National Council of Veteran Associations in Canada:

Clifford Chadderton, Chairman.

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Meeting No. 83

Tuesday, November 24, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Grant Purves, Research Officers.

Witness: From the National Council of Veteran Associations in Canada: H. Clifford Chadderton, Chairman.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Veterans Issues

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 84

Thursday, November 26, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association:

H. Clifford Chadderton, Consultant;

Aurele Ferlatte, President;

Ryan Hackett, Secretary;

Osborne McLean, Member.

Merchant Navy Association:

Bill Riddell, President.

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Meeting No. 84

Thursday, November 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Peter Stoffer for Gordon Earle and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Grant Purves, Researcher Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association: Aurele Ferlatte, President; Ryan Hackett, Secretary; H. Clifford Chadderton, Consultant; Oswald MacLean, Member. *From the Merchant Navy Association:* Bill Riddell, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

H. Clifford Chadderton and Aurele Ferlatte made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Bill Riddell made an opening statement and answered questions.

On motion of George Proud, it was agreed, - that the Committee adopt a 24 hour notice period for motions, unless otherwise ordered by the Committee.

At 11:05 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 85

Tuesday, December 1, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Royal Canadian Legion:

Allan Parks, Chairman, Veterans Service and Seniors Committee;

Jim Rycroft, Director, Service Bureau.

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Meeting No. 85

Tuesday, December 1st, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Grant Purves, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Royal Canadian Legion: Jim Rycroft, Director - Service Bureau; Allan Parks, Chairman, Veterans' Service and Seniors Committee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

On motion of Hec Clouthier, it was agreed, - That the Committee authorise the Chair to seek a supplementary travel budget of \$2,520.00 for its travel to Germany from January 24 to 31, 1999.

At 4:55 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 86

Thursday, December 3, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Halifax Rifles Armoury Association:

E.A.C. Amy, Brigadier-General (Ret.), Member, Restoration Committee;

Kendall Foster, Major-General (Ret.), Chairman, Restoration Committee.

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Meeting No. 86

Thursday, December 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, , Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Elsie Wayne for David Price.

Witnesses: From the Halifax Rifles Armoury Association: Maj G. Kendall Foster (Retired), Chairman, Restoration Committee; BGen E.A.C. Amy (Retired), Member, Restoration Committee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:53 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Guyanne L. Desforges
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 87

Tuesday, December 8, 1998

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces

Consideration of the Future of the Reserves

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Maurice Baril, General, Chief of Defence Staff;

Christine Preece, Colonel, Project Director, Quality of Life Project Management Office.


Reserves 2000:

Ernest B. Beno, Brigadier General (Ret.), Consultant;

Peter A.G. Cameron, Brigadier General (Ret.);

Peter W. Hunter, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.), Co-Chair;

John A. Selkirk, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.).

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The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Maurice Godin, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Ghislain Lebel for René Laurin.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Grant Purves, Researchers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Gen Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; Col Christine Preece. *From Reserves 2000:* LCol Peter W. Hunter (Retired), Co-Chair; BGen Peter A.G. Cameron (Retired); LCol John A. Selkirk (Retired); Gen Ernest B. Beno.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Future of the Reserves.

Gen Maurice Baril made an opening statement and, with the witness, answered questions.

Gordon Earle moved, - That the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs supports the reinstatement of the Halifax Rifles, and recommends that the federal government bring the reinstatement into effect by the end of the 1998-1999 fiscal year.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived by a show of hands.

BGen Peter A.G. Cameron, LCol Peter W. Hunter and LCol John A. Selkirk made opening statements and, with the witness, answered questions.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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NATIONAL DEFENCE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Chairman: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chairman: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 88

Tuesday, February 9, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy;

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East, and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Heneault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

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Meeting No. 88

Tuesday, February 9, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chairs, Pat O'Brien and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price and John Richardson.

Associate Members present: Monique Guay and Janko Peric.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Jean Augustine, Colleen Beaumier, John Cannis, Maud Debieen, The Honourable Sheila Finestone, Bill Graham, Bob Mills, Julian Reed, Svend Robinson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller, Daniel Turp.

Acting Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Monique Guay for Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Corinne McDonald, Lee James and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Hénault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff (DCDS). *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy; Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committees proceeded to a briefing session on the situation in Kosovo.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 89

Thursday, February 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement Policy: Chapter 4 of the Auditor General's Report

WITNESSES:

Office of the Auditor General of Canada:

L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada;

Peter Kasurak, Principal, Audit Operations Branch;

David Rattray, Assistant Auditor General, Audit Operations Branch.

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Thursday, February 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Associate Member present: Janko Peric.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Office of the Auditor General of Canada: L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada; David Rattray, Assistant Auditor General; Peter Kasurak, Principal.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee proceeded to a study on Contracting and Procurement Policy: Chapter 4 of the Auditor General's Report.

L. Denis Desautels made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

On motion of Robert Bertrand, it was agreed, - That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute documents received from the public only once they have been translated in both official languages.

Moved by René Laurin, - That the National Defence Department table before the National Defence and Veterans Affairs Committee all the flight logs related to its Challenger and Air Bus fleet from February 1st to February 9th, 1999.

After debate, it was agreed that the motion be tabled until the next meeting of the Committee.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 90

Thursday, February 18, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Bill C-61, and Act to Amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, the Pension Act, the Merchant Navy Veteran and Civilian War-related Benefits Act, the Department of Veterans Affairs Act, the Veterans Review and Appeal Board Act and the Halifax Relief Commission Pension Continuation Act and to amend certain other Acts in consequence thereof

WITNESS:

Library of Parliament:

Wolfgang Koerner, Committee Researcher.



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Meeting No. 90

Thursday, February 18, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Maurice Godin, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Janko Peric for Judi Longfield and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald; Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of the House of February 12, 1999, study of Bill C-61, an Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, the Pension Act, the Merchant Navy Veteran and Civilian War-related Benefits Act, the Department of Veterans Affairs Act, the Veterans Review and Appeal Board Act and the Halifax Relief Commission Pension Continuation Act and to amend certain other Acts in consequence thereof

The Committee proceeded to the suspended motion by Elsie Wayne, read as follows:

- That the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs recommend that the Merchant Navy Veterans be recognized as war veterans, that they receive prisoner of war benefits, that they receive a one time payment in lieu of benefits afforded to other veterans of World War II and that they be recognized as veterans on ceremonial days.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

On motion of Elsie Wayne, it was agreed, - That the Committee commence its hearings with the Merchant Navy Veterans before the Easter recess.

The Committee proceeded to the suspended motion by René Laurin, read as follows:

- That the National Defence Department tables before the National Defence and Veterans Affairs Committee all the flight logs related to its Challenger and Air Bus fleet from February 1st to February 9th, 1999.

The motion was agreed to.

Peter Goldring moved, - That, provided all other Veterans organizations are in agreement not to appear as witnesses on Bill C-61, the Committee agree to immediately move to Clause by Clause

consideration of Bill C-61, as it is an important Bill for all Veterans, including the Merchant Navy, and it has the support of all Parties;

As a condition of passage of the first paragraph, I further would move that this Committee agree to undertake a separate study of the Merchant Navy compensation issue before the Parliamentary summer recess, including hearing from those Veterans Organisation's witnesses that have previously asked to appear, and that a Report with recommendations be prepared and presented to Parliament in a timely manner.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to, on division.

The Committee proceeded to Clause-by-Clause consideration of Bill C-61.

On Clause 1

Clauses 1 to 47 carried severally.

On Clause 48

Maurice Godin moved, - That Bill C-61 be amended by adding after line 31 on page 36 the following new clause:

"48.1 All payments of allowance or other benefits under the *Pension Act* or the *War Veterans Allowance Act* in respect of a merchant navy veteran of World War I or World War II or a Canadian merchant navy veteran of the Korean War are payable for a period beginning on the day on which that veteran would have otherwise first become entitled to the payment if the provisions of this Act had been in force on the date of commencement of World War I, World War II or the Korean War, as the case may be."

The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order by citing sub-paragraph 698(7) of Beauchesne's 6th Edition.

Clause 48 carried, on division.

Clauses 49 and 50 carried.

The Title carried.

Bill C-61 carried, on division.

Ordered, - That the Chair report Bill C-61 to the House.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of the Contracting and Procurement Policy.

The Researchers answered questions.

At 9:50 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 91

Tuesday, March 2, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Pierre L. Lagueux, Assistant Deputy Minister, Material.

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Meeting No. 91

Tuesday, March 2, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Janko Peric for Judi Longfield.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: Pierre L. Lagueux, Assistant Deputy Minister, Materiel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 92

Thursday, March 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Pierre L. Lagueux, Assistant Deputy Minister, Material.

Department of Public Works and Government Services:

Alan Williams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Supply Operations Branch.

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Meeting No. 92

Thursday, March 4, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Janko Peric for Judi Longfield.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Public Works and Government Services Canada: Alan Williams, Assistant Deputy Minister. *From the Department of National Defence:* Pierre L. Lagueux, Assistant Deputy Minister, Materiel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

Pierre L. Lagueux answered questions.

Allan Williams made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
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Meeting No. 93

Tuesday, March 9, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Canadian Commercial Corporation:

Glenn Nichols, Executive Director, Business Development and Corporate Planning.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

David Devine, Acting Director (Procurement), Investment Trade Policy Division;

Roger Lucy, Deputy Director, Export Controls Division;

Susan Sheehan, Senior Policy Analyst, Investment Trade Policy Division (Procurement).

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Meeting No. 93

Tuesday, March 9, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Janko Peric for Judy Longfield and Karen Redman for David Pratt.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: David Devine, Acting Director (Procurement); Susan Sheehan, Senior Policy Analyst (Procurement); Richard Lepage; Roger Lucy, Deputy Director. *From the Canadian Commercial Corporation:* Glenn Nichols, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

David Devine made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Glenn Nichols made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Guyanne Desforges
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 94

Thursday, March 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Industry Canada:

John M. Banigan, Assistant Deputy Minister, Industry Sector;

Ron Kane, Director of Space, Electronics and Defence, Aerospace and Defence Branch.

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Meeting No. 94

Thursday, March 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Antoine Dubé for René Laurin, John Godfrey for David Pratt and Janko Peric for Judy Longfield.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Industry Canada: Ron Kane, Director, Space, Electronics and Defence; John M. Banigan, Assistant Deputy Minister.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

On motion of Bob Wood, it was agreed, - That notwithstanding a motion passed on Thursday, October 9, 1997, the Committee agree to reimburse five (5) witnesses from the Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association for travel to the Committee.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 95

Tuesday, March 16, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Canadian Commercial Corporation:

Glenn Nichols, Executive Director, Business Development and Corporate Planning.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Richard LePage, United States Business Development Division.

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Meeting No. 95

Tuesday, March 16, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Commercial Corporation: Glenn Nichols, Executive Director. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Richard Lepage.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:45 o'clock p.m., the Committee proceeded to future business.

It was agreed, - That the request by René Laurin be suspended pending the results of a meeting to be held with interested parties on March 26, 1999.

On motion of Robert Bertrand, seconded by Jim Hart, it was agreed, - That the Committee seek authority to travel to England and Washington in relation to its study on Contracting and Procurement.

On motion of Bob Wood, seconded by Jim Hart, it was agreed, That the Committee seek authority to travel to Charlottetown in relation to its study on Veterans Issues.

On motion of Bob Wood, it was agreed, - That the Chair seek a budget in the amount of \$10,000.00 for witnesses expenses and miscellaneous items.

At 5:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 96

Thursday, March 18, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association:

Aurele Ferlatte, President;

Ossie MacLean.

Hill Wilson, Captain.

Royal Canadian Legion:

Allan Parks, Chairman, Veterans' Service and Seniors Committee;

Jim Rycroft, Director, Service Bureau.

As Individual:

Willis Marsolais.

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Meeting No. 96

Thursday, March 18, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Roy Cullen for John O'Reilly and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Royal Canadian Legion: Allan Parks, Chairman, Veterans' Service and Seniors Committee; Jim Rycroft, Director - Service Bureau. *From the Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality:* Aurele Ferlatte, President, Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association; Capt Hill Wilson; Osborne MacLean.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Veterans Issues.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 97

Tuesday, March 23, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality:

William Bruce, Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association;

George Shaker, President, Canadian Merchant Navy Prisoner of War Association.

As Individual:

Willis Marsolais.

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Meeting No. 97

Tuesday, March 23, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald.

Witnesses: From the Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality: William Bruce, Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association; George Shaker, President, Canadian Merchant Navy Prisoner of War Association. *As Individual:* Willis Marsolais.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 98

Thursday, March 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on contracting and procurement

WITNESSES:

Aerospace Industries Association of Canada:

Peter Smith, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association of Canada:

John Leech, General Manager.

Canadian Defence Industries Association:

Robert N. Fischer, President.

Shipbuilding Association of Canada:

Peter Cairns, President.

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Meeting No. 98

Thursday, March 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, John Richardson.

Acting Member present: Janko Peric for Judi Longfield.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Defence Industries Association: Robert N. Fischer, President. *From the Aerospace Industries Association of Canada:* Peter Smith, President and CEO. *From the Shipbuilding Association of Canada:* Peter Cairns, President. *From the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association of Canada:* John Leech, General Manager.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 99

Wednesday, March 31, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

APPEARING:

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

Hon. Diane Marleau, Minister for International Cooperation and Minister responsible for the Francophonie

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Carolyn McAskie, Vice-President, Multilateral Branch.

Department of National Defence:

Maurice Baril, General, Chief of the Defence Staff.

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Meeting No. 99

Wednesday, March 31, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade in a televised session at 11:03 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chairs, Pat O'Brien and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price and John Richardson.

Acting Member present: Janko Peric for Judi Longfield.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Sarkis Assadourian, André Bachand, Colleen Beaumier, Maud Debieen, Bill Graham, Bernard Patry, Jerry Pickard, Julian Reed, Svend Robinson, Benoît Sauvageau, Darrel Stinson and Daniel Turp

Acting Member present: Ian Murray for Jean Augustine.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald, Daniel Dupras; James Lee and Gerald Schmitz.

Appearing: From the Department of National Defence: The Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* The Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* The Hon. Diane Marleau, Minister for International Cooperation and Minister responsible for La Francophonie.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Gen Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Carolyn McAskie, Vice-President, Multilateral Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee convened a briefing session on the situation in Kosovo.

The Ministers made opening statements and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 1:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
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Meeting No. 100

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Treasury Board of Canada - Secretariat:

Don Chilibeck, Director, Risk, Procurement and Asset Management Policy Sector;

R.J. Kelly, Director, Contract Policy Division;

Alan Winberg, Assistant Secretary, Risk, Procurement and Asset Management Policy Sector.

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Meeting No. 100

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Treasury Board of Canada - Secretariat: Alan Winberg, Assistant Secretary, Risk Procurement and Asset Management Policy Sector; R. J. Kelly, Director, Contract Policy Division; Don Chilibeck, Director, Risk Procurement and Asset Management Policy Sector.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

On motion of Hec Clouthier, seconded by Art Hanger, it was agreed, - That the Chair seek authority for a budget of \$53,106.00 in relation to its travel to England on Procurement and the Revolution in Military Affairs.

At 3:38 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 3:45 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Alan Winberg made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:31 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 101

Thursday, April 15, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Team Cormorant:

Frank Bamford, Head of Region—Americas, GKN Westland Helicopters; Business
Director.

As Individual:

Anthony Forster.

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Meeting No. 101

Thursday, April 15, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:03 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: As Individual: Anthony Forster, Independent Research Intelligence Analyst. *From Team Cormorant:* Frank Bamford, Head of Region - Americas for GKN Westland.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:12 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 102

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESS:

Queen's University:

Douglas Bland, Chair, Defence Management Studies Program, School of Policy Studies.

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Meeting No. 102

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 4:16 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Ghislain Lebel, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From Queen's University: Dr. Douglas Bland, Chair, Defence Management Studies Program.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:23 p.m., the Committee proceeded to the consideration of Committee business.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 103

Thursday, April 22, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on veterans issues

WITNESSES:

Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality:

Tom Brooks, Captain, Deputy Master, Ottawa—Hull Division, Company of Master Mariners of Canada;

Allan MacIsaac, President, Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association;

Miriam Van Roosmalen, Captain, Director, Ottawa—Hull Division, Company of Master Mariners of Canada.

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Meeting No. 103

Thursday, April 22, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Peter Stoffer for Gordon Earle and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality: Allan MacIsaac, President, Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association; Captain Tom Brooks, Deputy Master, Ottawa/Hull Division, Company of Master Mariners of Canada; Captain Peter Ady, National Counsellor, Company of Master Mariners of Canada; Captain Miriam Van Roosmalen, Director, Ottawa/Hull Division, Company of Master Mariners of Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

Allan MacIsaac and Captain Tom Brooks made opening statements and, with Captain Peter Ady and Captain Miriam Van Roosmalen, answered questions.

René Laurin moved, - That the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs organize information sessions on a regular basis on the situation in Kosovo, particularly on the military aspects of Canada's participation in NATO actions in the Balkans.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived by a show of hands.

At 11:04 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Guyanne L. Desforges
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 104

Tuesday, April 27, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff;

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Meeting No. 104

Tuesday, April 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:15 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price and George Proud.

Acting Members present: Daniel Turp for Ghislain Lebel and Julian Reed for John Richardson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff; RAdm. M. Bruce MacLean, Director General, International Security Policy. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch; Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Programme.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on the situation in Kosovo.

Jim Wright and Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault each made an opening statement and, with Charles Bassett, answered questions.

At 4:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 105

Tuesday, April 27, 1999

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study of matters relating to Committee business

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Friends of Maritime Aviation:

Lee Myrhaugen, Retired Colonel and Co-ordinator.

As Individual:

Colin Curleigh.

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Meeting No. 105

Tuesday, April 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 4:09 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: As Individual: BGen Colin Curleigh, (Retired). *From Friends of Maritime Aviation:* Col Lee Myrhaugen, (Retired) Coordinator.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters relating to Committee business.

At 4:17 p.m. pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed a study on Contracting and Procurement.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:52 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 106

Wednesday, April 28, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Main Estimates 1999-2000 — Votes 1, 5 and 10 under National Defence

APPEARING:

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Maurice Baril, General and Chief, Defence Staff;

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant General and Deputy Chief, Defence Staff;

Jim Judd, Deputy Minister;

Pierre L. Lagueux, Assistant Deputy Minister, Materiel.

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Meeting No. 106

Wednesday, April 28, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:33 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the Department of National Defence: The Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Jim Judd, Deputy Minister; Gen Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff; Pierre L. Lagueur, Assistant Deputy Minister, Materiel.

Pursuant to an Order of Reference of the House dated Monday, March 1st, 1999, a study of the Main Estimates 1999-2000 - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under National Defence.

The Minister made an opening statement.

At 4:00 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:33 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Minister, with Jim Judd, Gen Maurice Baril, Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault and Pierre L. Lagueur, answered questions.

At 5:47 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 107

Thursday, April 29, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans issues

WITNESSES:

Korea Veterans Association of Canada:

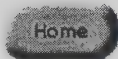
Roger Beauregard, Secretary, Unit 7 (Ottawa);

Gordon Strathy, National President.

National Council of Veteran Associations in Canada:

H. Clifford Chardderton, Chairman;

Brian Forbes, Secretary General and Legal Counsel.



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Meeting No. 107

Thursday, April 29, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 12:00 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the National Council of Veteran Associations in Canada: H. Clifford Chadderton, Chairman; Brian Forbes, Honourary Secretary General and Legal Council. *From the Korea Veterans Association of Canada:* Gordon Strathy, National President; Roger Beauregard, Secretary, Unit 7 (Ottawa).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

Clifford Chadderton made an opening statement and, with Brian Forbes, answered questions.

Gordon Strathy made an opening statement and, with Roger Beauregard, answered questions.

At 2:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Guyanne L. Desforges
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Meeting No. 108

Thursday, April 29, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General and Deputy Chief, Defence Staff;

G.R. Maddison, Vice-Admiral and Chief of Maritime Staff.

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Thursday, April 29, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:20 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Vice-Chair, David Pratt, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Jim Hart, René Laurin, David Pratt and David Price.

Acting Members present: Julian Reed for Judy Longfield and Daniel Turp for Ghislain Lebel.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff; Vadm G.R. Maddison, Chief Maritime Staff. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch; Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Programme.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on the situation in Kosovo.

Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Vadm G.R. Maddison and Jim Wright each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 109

Tuesday, May 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff, OP
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Meeting No. 109

Tuesday, May 4, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:17 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chairs, Pat O'Brien and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Bill Graham, Jerry Pickard, Julian Reed, Bob Mills and Daniel Turp.

Associate Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Murray Calder, Aileen Carroll and Denis Paradis.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald and James Lee, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff, OP ABACUS. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Programme.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See the Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99).

Jim Wright and Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault each made an opening statement and, with Hélène Corneau, answered questions.

At 4:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, May 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues

WITNESSES:

Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality:

Foster J.K. Griezic, Adviser/Consultant;

Bill Riddell, Representative.



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Meeting No. 110

Tuesday, May 4, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 4:20 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Merchant Navy Coalition for Equality: Foster J.K. Griezic, Advisor/Consultant; Bill Riddell, President, Merchant Navy Association.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Veterans Issues.

Bill Riddell and Foster Griezic each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 6:26 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 111

Thursday, May 6, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESSES:

Bristol Aerospace Ltd:

Bill Matthews, Vice-President, Market and Contract.

Sikorsky Canada Inc.:

Joseph Haddock, Director, International Business Canada.

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Meeting No. 111

Thursday, May 6, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:01 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, David Price, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald, Researcher.

Witnesses: From Bristol Aerospace: Bill Matthews, Vice-President, Market & Contract. *From Sikorsky Canada Inc.:* Joseph Haddock, Director, International Business Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of a study on Contracting and Procurement.

David Pratt moved, - That the Committee adopt the following new rotation for the questioning of witnesses:

- 1) Reform - 7 minutes
- 2) B.Q. - 7 minutes
- 3) Liberal - 7 minutes
- 4) N.D.P. - 7 minutes
- 5) P.C. - 7 minutes
- 6) Reform - 5 minutes
- 7) Liberal - 5 minutes
- 8) from Opposition Parties to Liberal Party for the remainder of the time.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

Bill Mathews and Joseph Haddock made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:58 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Guyanne L. Desforges
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Meeting No. 112

Thursday, May 6, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Citizenship and Immigration Canada:

Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

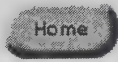
Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Guy Archambault, Deputy Director (Balkans), Southern Europe Division.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of Defence Staff.





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Meeting No. 112

Thursday, May 6, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:15 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Vice-Chair, David Pratt and Chair, Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, René Laurin, David Pratt, David Price and John Richardson.

Acting Members present: John McKay for George Proud and Paul Mercier for Ghislain Lebel.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: The Hon. Sheila Finestone, Bill Graham and Daniel Turp.

Acting Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Paul Crête for Maud Debien.

Senator present: Hon. Douglas Roche.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: James Lee, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff, OP ABACUS. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Guy Archambault, Deputy Director (Balkans), Southern Europe Division. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Programme. *From the Citizenship and Immigration Canada:* Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See the Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

Guy Archambault, Lt-Gen Raymond Henault and Jeff LeBane each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:22 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, May 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

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WITNESSES:

Citizenship and Immigration Canada:

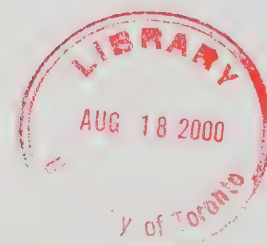
Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General and Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.



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Tuesday, May 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:22 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Ghislain Lebel, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt and George Proud.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Sarkis Assadourian, Bill Graham, Jerry Pickard and Daniel Turp.

Associate Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Serge Cardin.

Other Member present: Joe Jordan.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff, OP ABACUS. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Programme. *From the Citizenship and Immigration Canada:* Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

Jim Wright, Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault and Jeff LeBane each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 114

Tuesday, May 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the Future of the Reserves

WITNESSES:

Reserves 2000:

Peter Cameron, Brigadier-General (Retired);

Peter W. Hunter, Lieutenant-Colonel (Retired), Co-Chair;

John A. Selkirk, Lieutenant-Colonel (Retired), Co-Chair.



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Meeting No. 114

Tuesday, May 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 4:20 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Ghislain Lebel, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Price, George Proud and John Richardson.

Other member present: Joe Jordan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From Reserves 2000: LCol Peter W. Hunter (Retired), Co-Chair;
BGen Peter A.G. Cameron (Retired); LCol John A. Selkirk (Retired).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Future of the Reserves.

BGen Peter A.G. Cameron and LCol Peter W. Hunter each made an opening statement and, with LCol John A. Selkirk, answered questions.

At 6:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Thursday, May 13, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the Main Estimates 1999-2000 (Part II) - Votes, 1, 5 and 10 under Veterans Affairs and Report on Plans and Priorities (Part III)

APPEARING:

Hon. Fred Mifflin, Minister of Veterans Affairs and Secretary of State (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency)

WITNESSES:

Veterans Affairs:

David Nicholson, Deputy Minister.

Veterans Review & Appeal Board:

Brian Chambers, Chairman.



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Meeting No. 115

Thursday, May 13, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:03 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: John Cummins for Jim Hart and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada: The Hon. Fred Mifflin, Minister of Veterans Affairs and Secretary of State (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency).

Witnesses: From the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada: David Nicholson, Deputy Minister.
From the Veterans Review & Appeal Board: Brian Chambers, Chairman.

Pursuant to an Order of Reference of the House dated Monday, March 1st, 1999, the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Main Estimates 1999-2000 (Part II) - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under Veterans Affairs and Report on Plans and Priorities (Part III).

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:39 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 116

Thursday, May 13, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Charles Bassett, Vice-president, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Citizenship and Immigration Canada:

Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.



Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General and Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

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Meeting No. 116

Thursday, May 13, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:19 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chairs, Pat O'Brien and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien and David Pratt.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Bill Graham, Sheila Finestone, and Daniel Turp.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: James Lee, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff, OP ABACUS. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From Canadian International Development Agency:* Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch. *From Citizenship and Immigration Canada:* Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Jim Wright, Jeff LeBane and Charles Bassett made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier
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Meeting No. 117

Tuesday, May 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Hunter McGill, Director General, International Humanitarian Association.

Citizenship and Immigration Canada:

Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

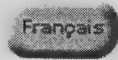
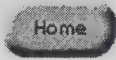


Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General and Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.



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The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:22 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, Hec Clouthier presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring and Ghislain Lebel.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: John Cannis, Sheila Finestone, Julian Reed and André Bachand.

Associate Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Murray Calder.

Acting Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Paul Crête for Daniel Turp.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald and James Lee, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff, OP ABACUS. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Hunter McGill, Director General, International Humanitarian Assistance. *From Citizenship and Immigration Canada:* Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

Jim Wright, Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Jeff LeBane and Hunter McGill each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:22 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Janice Hilchie
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 118

Tuesday, May 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine)

WITNESSES:

Army, navy & Airforce Veterans in Canada:

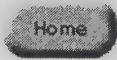
Peter T. Ambroziak, Dominion Secretary-Treasurer.

Department of Veterans Affairs:

Richard Brunton, Director, Portfolio Legislation;

David Nicholson, Deputy Minister.





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Meeting No. 118

Tuesday, May 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 4:28 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, Hec Clouthier, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Ghislain Lebel, Judi Longfield, John Richardson, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the The Army, Navy & Airforce Veterans in Canada: Peter T. Ambroziak, Dominion Secretary-Treasurer. *From the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada:* David Nicholson, Deputy Minister; Richard Brunton, Director of Portfolio Legislation.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine).

At 4:28 p.m., Peter Ambroziak made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:45 p.m., Pat O'Brien took the chair.

At 5:05 p.m., David Nicholson made an opening statement and, with Richard Brunton, answered questions.

At 6:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis
Acting Clerk of the Committee

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Thursday, May 27, 1999

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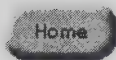
Study on Contracting and Procurement

WITNESS:

Project Ploughshares:

Ernie Regehr, Director.





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Meeting No. 119

Thursday, May 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Ghislain Lebel, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Project Ploughshares: Ernie Regehr, Director.

At 9:00 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement.

Ernie Regehr made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:30 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of its study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine).

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of its future business.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis
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Chairman: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 120

Thursday, May 27, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Program.

Citizenship and Immigration Canada:

Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.



Department of National Defence:

D.M. Jurkowski, Brigadier-General, Chief of Staff, J3 and Director General, Military Plans and Operations.

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Meeting No. 120

Thursday, May 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:16 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Gordon Earle, Pat O'Brien and David Pratt.

Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: André Bachand.

Acting Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Réal Ménard for Daniel Turp.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald and James Lee, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: BGen D.M. Jurkowski, Chief of Staff J3 and Director General, Military Plans and Operations. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From Citizenship and Immigration Canada:* Jeff LeBane, Director General, International Relations. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Hélène Corneau, Program Manager, Central and Eastern Europe Programme.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

Jim Wright, BGen D.M. Jurkowski, Jeff LeBane and Hélène Corneau each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:12 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 121

Tuesday, June 1, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.



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Meeting No. 121

Tuesday, June 1st, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade in a televised session at 3:20 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien and David Pratt.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Bill Graham, Jean Augustine, Colleen Beaumier, John Cannis, Sheila Finestone, Bernard Patry, Julian Reed, Bob Speller, Bob Mills and André Bachand.

Associate Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Keith Martin.

Acting Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Monique Guay for Daniel Turp and Pat Martin for Svend Robinson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers. *From Committees and Legislative Services:* Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From Parliamentary Delegation to Macedonia:* Bill Graham, M.P.; Bob Mills, M.P.; René Laurin, M.P.; Pat Martin, M.P..

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

At 3:17 p.m., Jim Wright and Lt-Gen Raymond Henault each made an opening statement and answered questions.

René Laurin gave notice of the following motion, read as follows:

"- That the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs meet on Thursday, June 3, 1999 from 3:15 to 4:00 p.m., for a briefing on the decision, to be handed down on Wednesday, June 2, 1999 by the International Court of Justice, in the case of Yugoslavia v. Canada".

At 4:18 p.m., Bill Graham, Bob Mills, René Laurin and Pat Martin made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 122

Tuesday, June 8, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of a draft report of its study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine)



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Meeting No. 122

Tuesday, June 8, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 12:05 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Ghislain Lebel, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson and Bob Wood.

Acting Members present: Janco Peric for Hec Clouthier, Paddy Torsney for David Pratt, Bob Mills for Jim Hart and Elsie Wayne for David Price.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a draft report of its study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine).

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the proposed motion of Elsie Wayne which reads as followed:

" - That Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans receive a one time payment in lieu of benefits afforded to other veterans of World War II, in the amount of \$20,000 for each member or surviving spouse."

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Art Hanger, Bob Mills, Ghislain Lebel, Gordon Earle, Elsie Wayne- (5).

NAYS: Robert Bertrand, Janco Peric, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, Paddy Torsney, George Proud, John Richardson, Bob Wood - (8).

At 12:18 p.m., the Committee proceeded, **in camera** to the consideration of its draft report.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be allowed to make all the editorial changes necessary to reflect the amendments proposed to the text of the Draft Report.

It was agreed, - That the Committee do request a Government Response to the Report, pursuant to Standing Order 109.

It was agreed, - That the Chair table the Report in the House, as the Fifth Report.

It was agreed, - That the Report, as amended, be approved by the Committee.

It was agreed, - That the Committee append the dissenting opinions following the Chair's signature.

At 12:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Acting Clerk of the Committee
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Meeting No. 123

Tuesday, June 8, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of the situation in Kosovo

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Jim Wright, Director General for Central, East and South Europe.

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff.

J.O.M. Maisonneuve, Brigadier-General, Director, Land Force Readiness; Leader, Kosovo Verification Mission.



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Tuesday, June 8, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 3:20 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Ghislain Lebel, David Price, and George Proud.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Bill Graham, Sheila Finestone, Julian Reed, Bob Mills, Daniel Turp, and André Bachand.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald and James Lee, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff; BGen J.O.M. (Michel) Maisonneuve, Director General, Land Force Readiness. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Jim Wright, Director General for Central East and South Europe. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Charles Bassett, Vice-President, Central and Eastern Europe Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of the situation in Kosovo. (See Minutes of Proceedings of March 31, 1999, Meeting No. 99.)

Jim Wright, Lt-Gen Raymond Henault, BGen Michel Maisonneuve and Charles Bassett each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:38 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis
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Meeting No. 124

Friday, September 17, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on Canada's involvement in East Timor

APPEARING:

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lib.

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence, Lib.

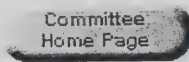
Hon. Maria Minna, Minister for International Cooperation, Lib.

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Raymond R. Henault, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Chief of Defence Staff.





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Meeting No. 124

Friday, September 17, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met jointly in a televised session at 10:05 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien and the Vice-Chair, Colleen Beaumier, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, John Richardson.

Acting Members present: Paul Mercier for René Laurin.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Sarkis Assadourian, André Bachand, Colleen Beaumier, Maud Debieu, Hon. Sheila Finestone, Bob Mills, Bernard Patry, Charlie Penson, Svend Robinson, Darrel Stinson.

Acting Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Bob Kilger for Bill Graham; Marlene Catterall for Jerry Pickard; Ian Murray for Bob Speller; Yves Rocheleau for Benoît Sauvageau; Francine Lalonde for Daniel Turp.

Other Member present: Elsie Wayne.

Members of the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs present: Hon. John Stewart, Hon. Raynell Andreychuk, Hon. Peter Stollery; Hon. Pierre De Bané.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: James Lee; Corinne McDonald, Research Officers. From Committees and Legislative Services: Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk.

Appearing: Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence; Hon. Maria Minna, Minister for International Cooperation.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy. From the Department of National Defence: Lt-Gen Raymond R. Henault, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff. From the Canadian International Development Agency: Jean-Marc Metivier, Acting President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee convened a briefing session on Canada's involvement in East Timor.

The Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, the Honourable Art Eggleton, and the Honourable Maria Minna each made an opening statement and, with Lt. Gen Raymond Henault, answered questions.

A point of order was raised as to the procedural acceptability of allowing a Senator to pose questions to the witnesses. The Chair then ruled:

RULING BY THE CHAIR

Citation 569(3) of Beauchesne's Fifth Edition states that "Committees are and must remain masters of their own procedure." The majority of members of the Committee wish to allow the Senator to have the floor. I therefore rule that the Senator may proceed to pose questions to the Ministers and their officials.

The Ministers and their officials continued to answer questions.

Whereupon Svend Robinson appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question was put on the decision and it was sustained on the following recorded division:

YEAS:

Pat O'Brien

Robert Bertrand

Hec Clouthier

John O'Reilly

David Pratt

George Proud

John Richardson -- 7

NAYS:

Art Hanger

Paul Mercier

Gordon Earle --3

At 12:23 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, October 26, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chairman



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Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, October 26, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, for the purpose of organisation.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Darrel Stinson for Art Hanger.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

The Clerk presided over the election of the Chair.

On motion of John O'Reilly, seconded by Janko Peric, Pat O'Brien was elected as Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Hec Clouthier, David Pratt was elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Darrel Stinson, Jim Hart was elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of routine motions.

On motion of George Proud, it was agreed, - That the Committee retain the services of one or more Research Officers from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

On motion of Elsie Wayne, it was agreed, - That, at the discretion of the Chair, reasonable travelling expenses, as per the regulations established by the Board of Internal Economy, be paid to witnesses invited to appear before the Committee, and that payment of these expenses be limited to two (2) representatives per organization.

On motion of Janko Peric, it was agreed, - That, pursuant to Standing Order 111(4), whenever an Order in Council for appointment or a certificate of nomination for appointment is referred to the Committee, the Clerk shall obtain and circulate to each member of the Committee a copy of the resume of each appointee.

On motion of Gordon Earle, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least five (5) members are present, including two (2) members of the Opposition and that after fifteen (15) minutes the number be reduced to three (3) members including one (1) member of the Opposition.

On motion of George Proud, it was agreed, - That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their

opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, the Committee adopt the following new rotation for the questioning of witnesses:

- 1) Reform 7 minutes
- 2) B.Q. 7 minutes
- 3) Liberal 7 minutes
- 4) N.D.P. 7 minutes
- 5) P.C. 7 minutes
- 6) Reform 5 minutes
- 7) Liberal 5 minutes
- 8) from Opposition Parties to Liberal Party for the remainder of the time.

On motion of René Laurin, it was agreed, - That the Chair, the two Vice-chairs, the two Parliamentary Secretaries and a member from the B.Q., N.D.P. and P.C. parties do compose the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure.

On motion of George Proud, it was agreed, - That the Committee adopt a 24 hour notice period for motions, unless otherwise ordered by the Committee.

René Laurin moved, - That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute documents received from the public only once they have been translated in both official languages.

On motion of Judi Longfield, it was agreed, - That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the evidence taken by the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs in relation to its studies on "Contracting and Procurement Policy" and the "Future of the Reserves" during the First Session of the present Parliament, be deemed adduced by the Committee in the current session.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

At 3:55 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 2

Thursday, October 28, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine).

At 10:47 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 3

Monday, November 1, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

A meeting with the Rt. Hon. Lord Robertson

WITNESS:

North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO):

Rt. Hon. Lord Robertson, Secretary General.



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Meeting No. 3

Monday, November 1st, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade at 11:35 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, David Pratt and Chair, Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Art Hanger, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud and Elsie Wayne.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Maud Debien, Bill Graham, Ted McWhinney, Svend Robinson and Bob Speller.

Acting Membres present: Pauline Picard for Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald, James Lee and Gerry Schmitz, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the North Atlantic Treaty Organization: The Rt Hon. Lord Robertson, Secretary General; Desmond Bowen, Director, Private Office; Kurt Volker, Deputy Director, Private Office and David Wright, Ambassador of Canada to NATO.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee convened a meeting with the Rt. Hon. Lord Robinson, Secretary General to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

The Rt. Hon. Lord Robertson made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 11:44 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Janice Hilchie
Committee Clerk

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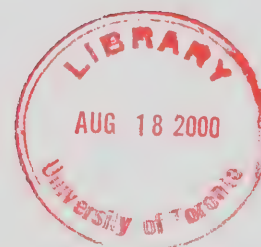
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Meeting No. 4

Tuesday, November 2, 1999

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Meeting No. 4

Tuesday, November 2, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine).

It was agreed, - That the letter, as amended, be presented by the Chair to the Minister of Veterans Affairs and that the letter remain confidential unless the Minister decides to make it public.

At 4:31 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier
Committee Clerk

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NATIONAL DEFENCE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, November 16, 1999

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Future business

Study on Contracting and Procurement Policy

WITNESSES:

Computing Devices Canada:

. David E. Scott, President and Chief Executive Officer.

As Individual:

Bernie Grover.



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Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, November 16, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Computing Devices Canada: David E. Scott, President and Chief Executive Officer.
As Individual: Dr. Bernie Grover.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

The Chair presented the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which read as follows:

Your Sub-Committee met on Wednesday, November 3, 1999, and agreed to make the following recommendations:

1. That starting on November 16, 1999, the Committee schedule meetings on its procurement study and on the subject of the participation of Canada in peace missions and its impact on the quality of life of military personnel.
2. That the Committee schedule a meeting with each of the following persons, as early as possible, to discuss various matters of concern to members:
 - The Minister of National Defence;
 - The Ombudsman of National Defence;
 - The Auditor General; and
 - General Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff.
1. That the Research Officers prepare a document with suggestions regarding the various topics raised by members at the Sub-Committee meeting.

Bob Wood moved, - That the Minister of Veterans Affairs be invited to appear before the Committee, as soon as possible, in relation to the committee's study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine).

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

On motion of David Pratt, the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure was concurred in.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting

and Procurement Policy.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:33 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier
Committee Clerk

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Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 6

Thursday, November 18, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine)

APPEARING:

Honourable George S. Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs and Secretary of State (Atlantic
Canada Opportunities Agency)

WITNESS:

Department of Veterans Affairs Canada:

Larry Murray, Deputy Minister.





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Meeting No. 6

Thursday, November 18, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:01 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Appearing: The Honourable George S. Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs.

Witness: From the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada: Larry Murray, Deputy Minister.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Veterans Issues (Merchant Marine)

The Minister made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:15 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:38 a.m., the sitting resumed.

The witness answered questions.

At 10:44 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard Fournier,
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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the mandate of the Department of National Defence

APPEARING:

Honourable Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

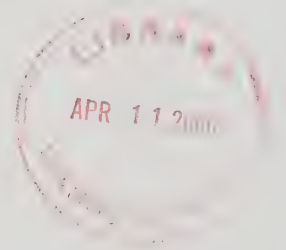
Maurice Baril, General, Chief of National Defence Staff;

Richard Burton, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister;

V.M. Caines, Lieutenant General, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources, Military.

Pearson Peacekeeping Centre:

Jean-Jacques Blais, Chair.



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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the Department of National Defence: The Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Gen Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; Lt-Gen V.M. Caines, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources - Military; Richard Burton, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Material.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the mandate of the Department of National Defence.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 8

Thursday, November 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the mandate of the Department of National Defence Canada

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence Canada:

Maurice Baril, General and Chief, Defence Staff.

V.M. Caines, Lieutenant-General and Assistant Deputy Minister, Human
Resources—Military;

Gary L. Garnett, Vice-Admiral and Vice-Chief, Defence Staff;

Ian C. Poulter, Colonel and Director, Quality of Life Project.



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Meeting No. 8

Thursday, November 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Gen Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; Vadm. Gary L. Garnett, Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff; Lt-Gen V.M. Caines, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources - Military; Col Ian C. Poulter, Project Director, Project Management Office, Quality of Life.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the mandate of the Department of National Defence.

General Maurice Baril made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:09 o'clock a.m., the Committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

On motion of Elsie Wayne, it was agreed, - That the Chair send a letter to the Minister of Veterans Affairs outlining the Committee's views on the issue of compensation for Merchant Navy veterans.

David Pratt moved, - That the Committee adopt the following resolution:

Whereas the Government's White Paper on Defence from 1994 calls on the Canadian Forces to play a vital role in protecting Canadian sovereignty, maintaining collective security through NATO and NORAD, providing support to United Nations peacekeeping operations, search and rescue, disaster relief and humanitarian assistance;

And whereas, the Department of National Defence budget has been reduced by 23 per cent against original projections since Budget '94 in order to meet the Government's important deficit reduction strategy;

And whereas, in comparison to our principal allies, Canadian defence expenditures have fallen sharply from 1.7 per cent of GDP in 1993-94 to 1.15 per cent of GDP in 1999-2000 with the NATO average being 2.1 per cent of GDP

And whereas, our international commitments in places like Bosnia, Kosovo and East Timor in support of peace and human security have increased to the point where we have one of the largest contingents of troops deployed abroad since the Korean War;

And whereas, the Canadian Forces continue to experience problems with respect to housing, quality of life issues, troop fatigue based upon increased deployments, ageing equipment in need of replacement and the loss of key capabilities:

Be it resolved that the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs (SCONDVA) request the Government of Canada to embark upon a five-year plan for the revitalization and modernization of the Canadian Forces which would substantially increase the budget of the Department of National Defence as a percentage of GDP.

After debate, Mr. Laurin moved, - That the resolution be amended by adding after the word "Forces" in paragraph 6, the following:

1. "that would reassess government objectives"
2. by deleting the words "which would substantially increase" in paragraph 6 and replacing them by the following:

"before increasing"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following show of hands:

YEAS: 2

NAYS: 9

And the question being put on the main motion, the resolution, as amended, was agreed to on the following show of hands:

YEAS: 9

NAYS: 2

Ordered, - That the Chair table the resolution, as amended, as the Committees First Report to the House.

It was agreed. - That the Clerk prepare costing outlines for travel to the U.S. and P.E.I. for this session.

At 10:50 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 30, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement Policy

WITNESSES:

General Motors of Canada Ltd.:

William Pettipas, Executive Director, Diesel Division, and Vice-President of General Motors;

Kenneth Yamashita, Manager, Canadian Government Relations and Industrial Benefits, Diesel Division.

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Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 30, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From General Motors of Canada Ltd.: William Pettipas, Executive Director of Diesel Division and Vice-President of General Motors; Kenneth A. Yamashita, Manager, Government Relations & Industrial Benefits, Defence Operations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

William Pettipas made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

On motion of George Proud, seconded by Jim Hart, it was agreed, - That the Committee adopt the budget of \$115,750.96 for its travel to the United States.

At 5:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
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Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 10

Thursday, December 2, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the mandate of the Department of National Defence Canada

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence Canada:

André Marin, Ombudsman, National Defence and Canadian Forces, Office of the
Ombudsman.

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Meeting No. 10

Thursday, December 2, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: André Marin, Ombudsman, Office of the Ombudsman.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the mandate of the Department of National Defence.

André Marin made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 11

Tuesday, December 7, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Contracting and Procurement Policy

WITNESS:

Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt:

Gregory Somers, Partner, Public Law Regulatory Affairs.

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Meeting No. 11

Tuesday, December 7, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt: Gregory Somers, Partner, Public Law Regulatory Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

Gregory Somers made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, December 14, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the mandate of the Department of National Defence Canada

WITNESSES:

Office of the Auditor General of Canada:

Peter Kasurak, Principal, Audit Operations Branch;

Hugh McRoberts, Principal, Audit Operations Branch;

David Rattray, Assistant Auditor General, Audit Operations Branch.



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Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, December 14, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Office of the Auditor General of Canada: David Rattray, Assistant Auditor General, Audit Operations Branch; Peter Kasurak, Principal, Audit Operations Branch; Hugh McRoberts, Principal, Audit Operations Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the mandate of the Department of National Defence.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 13

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

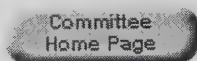
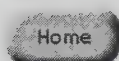
Study on contracting and procurement policy

WITNESSES:

Conference of Defence Associations:

Sean Henry, Colonel and Senior Defence Analyst;

Alain Pellerin, Colonel and Director General.



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Meeting No. 13

Thursday, December 16, 1999

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Conference of Defence Associations: Col Sean Henry, Senior Defence Analyst; Col Alain Pellerin, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

Colonel Alain Pellerin made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 10:57 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 14

Tuesday, February 8, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on contracting and procurement policy

WITNESSES:

British High Commission Ottawa:

Richard Codrington, Deputy High Commissioner.

United Kingdom Ministry of Defence:

John Taylor, Team Leader, Smart Procurement Initiative.



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Meeting No. 14

Tuesday, February 8, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the British High Commission Ottawa: John Taylor, Team Leader Smart Procurement Initiative, Ministry of Defence (UK).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

The committee viewed a video presentation.

John Taylor made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 15

Thursday, February 10, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on contracting and procurement policy

WITNESSES:

Canadian Defence Industries Association:

Robert (Bob) Fischer, Lieutenant-General (Ret.), President;

Patrick (Paddy) O'Donnell, Lieutenant-General (Ret.), Vice-President, Strategic Plan;
Representative, Joint Defence Procurement Council.

Defence Associations National Network:

Dan Mainguy, Admiral, President;

Michael Saker, Rear Admiral (Ret.), Member.



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Meeting No. 15

Thursday, February 10, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, George Proud and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner; Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Defence Associations National Network: Vadm. Dan Mainguy, President; RAdm. Mike Saker, Member. *From the Canadian Defence Industries Association:* Robert N. Fischer, President; Paddy O'Donnell, VP Strategic Plan for CDIA and Joint Defence Procurement Council Representative.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:43 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 16

Thursday, February 17, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on contracting and procurement policy

WITNESSES:

Marine Workers' Federation, CAW:

Les Holloway, Executive Director;

Gary Marr, President;

Terrence O'Toole, President, Local 3.



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Meeting No. 16

Thursday, February 17, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:14 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, David Pratt, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, David Pratt, George Proud and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Marine Workers' Federation - CAW: Les Holloway, Executive Director; Gary Marr, President; Terrence O'Toole, President, Industrial Union of Marine in Shipbuilding Workers of Canada, Local 3.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

Les Holloway made an opening statement and , with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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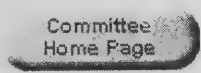
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ORDER OF THE DAY:

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Meeting No. 17

Tuesday, February 22, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

John O'Reilly moved, - That the Chair write to the Auditor General informing him that the Committee endorses the Chair's response to him, dated January 18, 2000 relating to questions directed to one of his staff at a Committee meeting on December 14, 1999.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

John O'Reilly moved, - That the Chair table a report in the House outlining the events surrounding correspondence between the Auditor General, dated December 23, 1999 and the response of the Chair, dated January 18, 2000 as there may be a matter of privilege involved and to give the House an opportunity to reflect on the situation.

After debate the result of the vote was announced:

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 5.

Whereupon the Chair voted in the affirmative.

Accordingly the motion was agreed to.

John O'Reilly moved, - That the Committee approve a budget in the amount of \$52,956.00 for travel to Charlottetown, P.E.I. and Cornwallis, Nova Scotia during the week of March 5, 2000 and that the necessary staff accompany the Committee.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following show of hands:

YEAS: 10

NAYS: 1.

Judi Longfield moved, - That the Committee ask the Chair to write to the Speaker bringing his attention to the displeasure of the Committee regarding the rules and conventions for Committee

travel and that a copy be sent to the Chair of the House Affairs Committee.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following show of hands:

YEAS: 10

NAYS: 1.

It was agreed, - That the Committee allow the Global Television Network to film some of its proceedings, subject to the rules established by the Speaker in relation to a documentary on the future of the Canadian Military.

It was agreed, - That the Committee invite the Assistant Deputy Minister, Alan Williams, to brief them on procurement.

At 5:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 18

Thursday, February 24, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

George Betts, Acting Director, Policy Development;

Daniel Bon, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy;

Randy Price, Colonel, Director, Western Hemisphere Policy.



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Meeting No. 18

Thursday, February 24, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Daniel Bon, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy; Col Randy Price, Director of Western Hemisphere Policy; George Betts, Acting Director, Policy Development.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence.

Daniel Bon made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:57 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 19

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence

WITNESSES:

Project Ploughshares:

Pavel Podvig, Research Associate, Centre for Arms Control, Energy and Environmental
Studies, Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology;

Ernie Regehr, Director, Policy and Public Affairs;

Bill Robinson, Program Associate;

John Steinbruner, Director, Centre for International and Security Studies, University of
Maryland.



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Meeting No. 19

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Project Ploughshares: Dr. John Steinbruner, Director, Center for International and Security Studies, University of Maryland; Dr. Pavel Podvig, Research Associate, Center for Arms Control, Energy and Environmental Studies, Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology; Bill Robinson, Program Associate; Ernie Regehr, Director of Policy and Public Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study of the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence.

Ernie Regehr, John Steinbruner and Pavel Podvig, made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 20

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence

WITNESS:

North American Aerospace Defence Command:

George E.C. Macdonald, Lieutenant-General, Deputy Commander in Chief; Peterson Air
Force Base, Colorado.





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Meeting No. 20

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

Other Member present: Bill Graham

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the North American Aerospace Defense Command: Lt-Gen George E.C. Macdonald, Deputy Commander in Chief of North American Aerospace Defence Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the committee resumed consideration of its study of the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Pat O'Brien, Lib.

Meeting No. 21

Thursday, March 2, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Revolution in Military Affairs

WITNESSES:

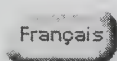
Department of National Defence:

Daniel G. McNeil, Captain (N), Director of Defence Analysis;

W. S. (Scot) Robertson, Director of Defence Analysis 3-4;

Elinor Sloan, Directorate of Strategic Analysis.





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Meeting No. 21

Thursday, March 2, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Daniel G. McNeil, Director of Defence Analysis; Dr. Scot Robertson, Director of Defence Analysis 3; Dr. Elinor Sloan, Directorate of Strategic Analysis.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study of the Revolution in Military Affairs.

Daniel G. McNeil made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 22

Tuesday, March 21, 2000

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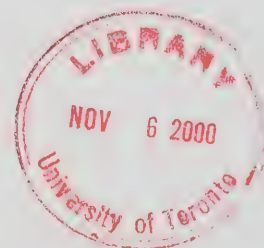
Study on contracting and procurement policy

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence Canada:

Richard Burton, Director General, Materiel Comptrollership and Business Management,
Materiel;

Alan Williams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Materiel.



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Meeting No. 22

Tuesday, March 21, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Alan Williams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Materiel; Richard Burton, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Material.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the committee resumed its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

Alan Williams made an opening statement and, with the witness, answered questions.

At 5:22 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 23

Thursday, March 23, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the revolution in military affairs — national missile defence

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada:

Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy;

Paul Meyer, Director General, International Security Bureau.



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Meeting No. 23

Thursday, March 23, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Paul Heinbecker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global and Security Policy; Paul Meyer, Director General, International Security Bureau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence.

Paul Heinbecker made an opening statement and, with the witness, answered questions.

At 10:57 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Bill Graham, Lib.

Meeting No. 24

Thursday, March 23, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of the North American Aerospace Defence Command (NORAD) renewal

APPEARING:

Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Honourable Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence



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Meeting No. 24

Thursday, March 23, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met jointly in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chairs, Pat O'Brien and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien and Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Jacques Saada for David Pratt.

Members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade present: Jean Augustine, Colleen Beaumier, Maud Debie, Bill Graham, Francine Lalonde, Keith Martin, Denis Paradis and Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Corinne McDonald and James Lee, Research Officers. *From the Committees and Associations Directorate:* Janice Hilchie, Committee Clerk.

Appearing: From the Department of National Defence: Hon. Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence; *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Dr. Kenneth J. Calder, Assistant Deputy Minister (Policy); BGen D.M. Jurkowski, Director General, Military Plans and Operations, Military Plans and Operations. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Paul Meyer, Director General, International Security Bureau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committees commenced their examination of NORAD Renewal.

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy and Hon. Art Eggleton each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, March 28, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Future business



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Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, March 28, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

At 4:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 26

Thursday, March 30, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the Revolution in Military Affairs

WITNESS:

Federation of Military and United Services Institutes of Canada:

Clive Addy, Major-General (Ret.), National Chairman.



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Meeting No. 26

Thursday, March 30, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Federation of Military and United Services Institutes of Canada: MGen. Clive Addy, National Chairman (Retired).

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:40 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, April 4, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the Revolution in Military Affairs—National Missile Defence

WITNESSES

Saeima of the Republic of Latvia:

Valija Broka, Interpreter;

Silvija Dreimane, Secretary;

Silva Golde, Member;

Edvins Inkens, Member;

Janis Lulis, Latvian Ambassador to Canada;

Janis Straume, Chairman of the Saeima (Parliament).

Science for Peace:

Paul A. Hamel, University of Toronto.

Veterans Against Nuclear Arms—Toronto:

Eldon Comfort, Member.



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Tuesday, April 4, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Veterans Against Nuclear Arms - Toronto: Lt Eldon Comfort, Member. *From Science for Peace:* Dr. Paul A. Hamel, University of Toronto. *From the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia:* Janis Straume, Chairman of the Saeima (Parliament), Republic of Latvia; Janis Lūsis, Ambassador; Silvija Dreimane, Secretary of the Saeima (Member of Saeima); Edvins Inkens, Member of Saeima; Silva Golde, Member of Saeima.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, April 5, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Main Estimates for the year ending March 31, 2001 - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under National Defence

APPEARING:

Honourable Arthur C. Eggleton, Minister of National Defence

WITNESSES

Department of National Defence:

Maurice Baril, General, Defence Chief of State;

Jim Judd, Deputy Minister;

William Leach, Lieutenant-General, Chief of Land Staff.



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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, April 5, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 4:05 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Gurbax Malhi for Janko Peric.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the Department of National Defence: The Hon. Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Jim Judd, Deputy Minister; Gen Maurice Baril, Chief of the Defence Staff; Lt-Gen Bill Leach, Chief of Land Staff.

The Committee proceeded to its Order of Reference of the House dated Tuesday, February 29, 2000 relating to the Main Estimates for the year ending March 31, 2001 - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under National Defence.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 29

Thursday, April 6, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Main Estimates for the year ending March 31, 2001 - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under Veterans Affairs

APPEARING:

Honourable George S. Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs

WITNESSES:

Veterans Affairs Canada:

Brian Ferguson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Veterans Services;

Keith Hillier, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services;

Larry Murray, Deputy Minister.



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Meeting No. 29

Thursday, April 6, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, Elsie Wayne and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada: The Hon. George S. Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of Veterans Affairs Canada: Larry Murray, Deputy Minister; Brian Ferguson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Veterans Services; Keith Hillier, A/Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services; Michaela Huard, Director General, Portfolio Executive Services.

The Committee proceeded to its Order of Reference of the House dated Tuesday, February 29, 2000 relating to the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001 - Votes 1, 5 and 10 under Veterans Affairs.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:40 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 30

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The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

Acting Member present: Ghislain Lebel for Paul Mercier.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of a draft report relating to its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

On motion of Janko Peric, it was agreed, - That, in relation to its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs and the Quality of Life in the Canadian Forces, the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs be authorized to travel to Kosovo, Yugoslavia and London, England, from May 19 to 26, 2000 and that the necessary staff accompany the Committee.

On motion of John O'Reilly, it was agreed, - That the budget in the amount of \$ 96,596.80 be adopted for the Committee's travel to Kosovo, Yugoslavia and London, England, in relation to its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs and the Quality of Life in the Canadian Forces.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, May 2, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

On motion of Robert Bertrand, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to purchase official gifts on behalf of the Committee for its travel to Kosovo and England.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of a draft report relating to its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Thursday, May 4, 2000

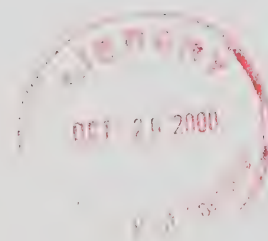
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Study on the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence

WITNESS:

As Individual:

Jim Fergusson, Professor.



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Meeting No. 32

Thursday, May 4, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: As Individual: Prof. Jim Fergusson, Deputy Director, Centre for Defence and Security Studies.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs - National Missile Defence.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 33

Monday, May 8, 2000

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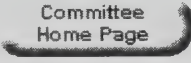
Discussion on the situation on Bosnia-Herzegovina

WITNESS:

Office of the High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina:

Wolfgang Petritsch, High Representative.



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Meeting No. 33

Monday, May 8, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:25 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Art Hanger, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric and Elsie Wayne.

Acting Member present: Maud Debien for René Laurin.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From Bosnia-Herzegovina: Wolfgang Petrisch, High Representative of the International Community.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a discussion on the situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Wolfgang Petritsch made an opening statement and answered questions.

John O'Reilly gave notice of the following motion:

- That SCNDVA affirms its unqualified support for the continued evolution of an effective office of the Ombudsman DND/CF, that is secured by regulations to the National Defence Act which remove impediments to the proper functioning of the office and ensure the co-operation of all sectors of DND/CF so that the Office of the Ombudsman DND/CF can enhance the welfare and quality of life of all members of DND/CF within an open, transparent and accountable institution that respects individual rights and fundamental fairness. The Ombudsman should report regularly to SCNDVA on the experience and continued evolution of the Office.

At 4:23 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 34

Tuesday, May 9, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the Mandate of the Department of National Defence

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

Barbara Finlay, Acting Head of Investigations and Acting General Counsel, Office of the
Ombudsman;

André Marin, Ombudsman, Office of the Ombudsman;

David Paciocco, Professor, Law Faculty, University of Ottawa; Independent Legal Counsel,
Office of the Ombudsman.



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Meeting No. 34

Tuesday, May 9, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, David Pratt, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud and Elsie Wayne.

Other Member present: Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: André Marin, Ombudsman, Office of the Ombudsman; Barb Finlay, Director General of Investigations, Office of the Ombudsman; David Paciocco, Independent Legal Counsel, Office of the Ombudsman.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Mandate of the Department of National Defence.

André Marin made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 35

Thursday, May 11, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the revolution in military affairs

WITNESSES:

Department of National Defence:

John Leggat, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science and Technology;

Ingar Olav Moen, Director, Science and Technology Policy, Defence R&D Canada.



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Meeting No. 35

Thursday, May 11, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met in a televised session at 9:02 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of National Defence: Dr. John Leggat, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science and Technology; Dr. Ingar Olav Moen, Director, Science and Technology Policy, Defence R&D Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs.

John Leggat made an opening statement and, with the witness, answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 36

Tuesday, May 16, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the revolution in military affairs

WITNESS:

Queen's University:

Douglas Bland, Chair, Defence Management Studies Program, School of Policy Studies.



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Meeting No. 36

Tuesday, May 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Acting Chair, John O'Reilly, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt and George Proud.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From Queen's University: Dr. Douglas Bland, Chair, Defence Management Studies Program, School of Policy Studies.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Revolution in Military Affairs.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:19 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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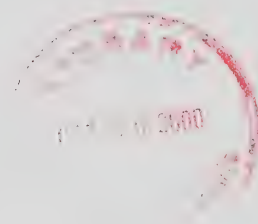
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Wednesday, May 17, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of a draft report on Contracting and Procurement Policy



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Meeting No. 37

Wednesday, May 17, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Art Hanger, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of a draft report on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

At 3:35 p.m., the Committee proceeded to a public meeting.

On motion of Art Hanger, it was agreed, - That, given the serious allegations made last week by the Ombudsman, Mr. Marin, regarding the attitudes and actions of the JAG's office, and given the recent proposed motion by members of this committee to issue a declaration of support for the Ombudsman, the JAG be invited to testify before this committee in order to fully comprehend his perception of the Ombudsman's role vis-à-vis the legal and security branches of the Canadian Forces.

At 3:43 p.m., the Committee proceeded to an *in camera* meeting.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 38

Thursday, May 18, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing session on the situation in Kosovo

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Roch Lacroix, Lieutenant-Colonel, Desk Officer, Balkans and NATO Operations.

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Meeting No. 38

Thursday, May 18, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, David Pratt, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: LCol Roch Lacroix, Desk Officer, Balkans and NATO, Operations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced the briefing session on the situation in Kosovo.

At 9:50 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 39

Thursday, June 1, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the mandate of the Department of National Defence

WITNESS:

Department of National Defence:

Jerry S.T. Pitzul, Brigadier-General and Judge Advocate General.



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Meeting No. 39

Thursday, June 1st, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Pat O'Brien, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Department of National Defence: BGen Jerry S.T. Pitzul, Judge Advocate General.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the Mandate of the Department of National Defence.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 40

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Acting Chair, John O'Reilly, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, David Pratt, George Proud and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

At 4:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
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Meeting No. 41

Thursday, June 8, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met *in camera* at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Acting Chair, John O'Reilly, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud and Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on Contracting and Procurement Policy.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be allowed to make all the editorial changes necessary to reflect the amendments proposed to the text of the Draft Report.

It was agreed, - That the Committee do request a Government Response to the Report, pursuant to Standing Order 109.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be allowed to table the Report in the House, as soon as the editorial changes are incorporated to the text of the Report.

It was agreed, - That the Report, as amended, be approved by the Committee.

At 10:37 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 42

Tuesday, June 13, 2000

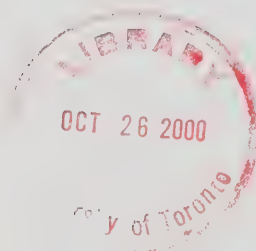
ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on a review of the social and economic challenges facing members of the Canadian Forces

WITNESS:

Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation (Canada):

Joseph Haddock, Director, International Business.



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Tuesday, June 13, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Robert Bertrand, Gordon Earle, Jim Hart, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Pat O'Brien, John O'Reilly, Janko Peric, David Pratt, George Proud, Elsie Wayne, Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner and Corinne McDonald, Research Officers.

Witness: From the Sikorsky Canada Inc.: Joseph Haddock, Director, International Business Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on a Review of the Social and Economic Challenges Facing Members of the Canadian Forces.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee proceeded to a discussion on National Missile Defence.

At 4:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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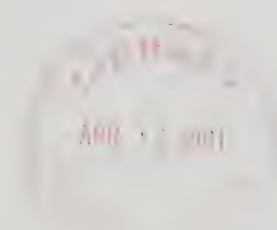
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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs



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Meeting No. 43 -

Wednesday, October 4, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair pursuant to Standing Order 106 (1) and 106 (2).

Members of the Committee present: Roy Bailey, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, Peter Goldring, Art Hanger, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Janko Peric, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, Carmen Provenzano, Tom Wappel and Elsie Wayne.

Acting Members present: Eugène Bellemare for Bob Wood.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Research Officer.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

Hec Clouthier, seconded by David Price moved, - That George Proud do take the chair of this Committee as Chair.

Peter Goldring moved, - That Art Hanger do take the chair of this Committee as Chair.

The question being put on the motion of Hec Clouthier, it was agreed to.

Accordingly, George Proud was declared duly elected Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Tom Wappel, seconded by Janko Peric, it was agreed, - That David Price be elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Peter Goldring, seconded by Roy Bailey, it was agreed, - That Art Hanger be elected Vice-Chair of this Committee *in absentia*.

It was agreed, - That the Committee proceed to Clause by Clause consideration of Bill C-41, An Act to amend the statute law in relation to veterans' benefits on Thursday, October 5, 2000 at 9:30, a.m. with the Honourable George Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs in attendance and,

- That the Committee table its report to the House the same day.

At 3:55 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Santosh Sirpaul

Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: George Proud, Lib.

Meeting No. 44

Thursday, October 5, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Bill C-41, An Act to amend the statute law in relation to veterans' benefits

APPEARING:

Honourable George S. Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs

WITNESSES:

Veterans Affairs Canada:

Richard Brunton, Director of Portfolio Legislation;

Larry Murray, Admiral and Deputy Minister.



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Meeting No. 44

Thursday, October 5, 2000

The Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs met at 9:34 a.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, George Proud, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Roy Bailey, Hec Clouthier, Gordon Earle, René Laurin, Judi Longfield, Paul Mercier, Janko Peric, David Pratt, David Price, George Proud, Carmen Provenzano and Elsie Wayne.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Wolf Koerner, Research Officer.

Appearing: The Honourable. George S. Baker, Minister of Veterans Affairs.

Witnesses: From the Department of Veterans Affairs: Larry Murray, Deputy Minister; Richard Brunton, Director of Portfolio Legislation; Nathalie Bédard, Deputy Director General, Portfolio Executive Services.

The Order of Reference dated Friday, September 22, 2000, being now read as follows:

ORDERED, - That Bill C-41, An Act to amend the statute law in relation to veterans' benefits be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs.

The Committee proceeded to Clause by Clause consideration of Bill C-41.

On Clause 1

The Minister made a statement and, with Richard Brunton, answered questions.

And the question being put on Clause 1, it was carried.

Clause 2 carried.

Clauses 3 to 15 inclusive carried.

On Clause 16

Carmen Provenzano moved, -- That Bill C-41, in Clause 16, be amended by replacing, in the French version, lines 6 to 8 on page 12 with the following:

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The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to.

And the question being put on Clause 16, as amended, it was carried on division.

Clause 17 carried.

Clauses 18 to 40 inclusive carried.

Clause 41 carried on division.

Clauses 42 to 50 inclusive carried.

Clauses 51 to 60 inclusive carried.

Clauses 61 to 80 inclusive carried.

Clauses 81 to 101 inclusive carried.

By consent, the Committee reverted to Clause 84.

The question being put on Clause 84, it was carried on division.

The Title carried.

The Bill, as amended, carried.

ORDERED, - That the Chair report Bill C-41, An Act to amend the statute law in relation to veterans' benefits, with amendment to the House as the Fourth Report of the Committee.

At 10:32 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Santosh Sirpaul

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